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DAILY GAZETTE.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

—More of the Reform School.

—The Governor "received" last evening.

"Winslow seems very composed," they say.

—Avery wants to be tried over again at St. Louis.

—Another ocean disaster is reported from London.

—Now for the rhetorical wind work in the Babcock case.

—The letter carriers story in the Babcock case was a stunner.

—Beecher always meets the direct question with a square denial.

—The trial of the great scandal case cost Mr. Beecher $118,000.

—The Pasting and Folding Department at Washington costs $60,000.

—The Moody and Sankey meeting are reported to be increasing in interest.

—Washington's home at Mt. Vernon is to be thoroughly renovated and repaired.

—A Base Ball Convention is to be held at New Haven. What has New Haven done?

—The wife, son and sister of Winslow, the Boston forger, have left Rotterdam for London.

—Extensive preparations are making in Louisville for a grand celebration of Mardi Gras.

—The question of divorce formed an interesting theme for discussion in the Legislature yesterday.

—The lion and the lamb couldn't lie down together in Councils yesterday on the appropriation ordinance.

—No information has been received by the President confirming the reported resignation of Minister Schenck.

—A convention of nurserymen of America has been called to meet in Chicago on the second Wednesday in June.

—Canada had a touch of the spring-like weather a few days ago, but old Boreas is making up for that slip now.

—They are still fighting in Cincinnati whether to give that six millions additional to the Southern Railroad Company.

—Considerable interest has been felt in sporting circles within the past two days over the shooting matches at Friendship Park.

—The Mississippi House of Representatives has adopted formal articles of impeachment against Lieutenant Governor Davis, colored.

—The prominent citizens of Columbus gave an elegant reception to the Ohio General Assembly and State officers on Thursday evening.

—The lawyers will hold a meeting in the Supreme Court room at Washington to-day, to take action in respect to the memory of the late Reverdy Johnson.

—Dr. Linderman has informed the House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures that he sees no necessity at present for establishing a new mint in the West.

—Michael Murphy, already twice sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Matilda Hugus on the Hudson river in the summer of 1874, has been again sentenced to death on April 7th.

—There is no doubt that telegraphic correspondence has been pending for some days between the Department of State and Minister Schenck concerning his probable resignation.

—The Election Boards on Tuesday seem to have been so intensely interested in the result that they could not make out the returns properly. Judge Sterrett says he can't elucidate them.

—The St. Louis crowd needs watching. On three successive days the overcoats of the three counsel for the defense, Storrs, Porter and Williams, have been purloined from the court room.

—John Huffman, aged fourteen, employed in the machine shops at Hamilton, O., was caught in the belting and drawn to the shaft. His right arm was torn from the body and both legs broken.

—Three of the murderers of Birch, the English resident at Perok, have been captured. One has confessed everything, and says nine men perpetrated the murder. He has given both their names.

—Booth, who is the "Greenback Convention's" Presidential candidate, was a few years ago a merchant, and left the walks and ways of commercial life to dabble in politics, and became measurably famous.

—In the Ohio House of Representatives a bill was passed making it a misdemeanor to throw any coal dirt, or coal tar into any streams, ponds or lakes, or to deposit the same on the banks of any streams or ponds.

—Mrs. Beecher is the most intensely interested spectator at the Advisory Council. She is there from the opening to the close, and narrowly watches every speaker, seeming not to lose a word or even an intonation of voice.

—Mr. Joseph F. Wilson, a wounded Union soldier, has been compelled to step down and out of the Secretaryship of the Committee on Invalid Pensions to make room for a Democrat. They kept Wilson until they got the business clear well under way, and then let him go.

—Patrick Kelly, arrested at Meadville, Pa., on Wednesday, was found in his cell on Thursday, dead, having hung himself with his clothing. He is supposed to have been insane. It is believed he came there from the east, and has a family in Newark, N. J.

—The Austrian and Hungarian Cabinets are reported to have agreed that the Austrian National Bank shall establish a Hungarian bank of issue, and guarantee the latter's notes and accept them the same as its own. This solves the principal difficulty in the negotiation and renewal of the Austro-Hungarian compromise.

—A dispatch from London states that the Liberals have agreed to resist in Parliament the ratification of the purchase of the Suez canal shares, believing serious foreign complications will arise. Bradlaugh, who has been consulted by Gladstone, is lecturing to country audiences and securing signatures to a petition imploring resistance to ratification.

—The House Appropriations Committee propose to make sweeping reductions in the Internal Revenue Department. The number of Collectors will be reduced from 161 to 105, making a saving of $620,000. It has also been decided to abolish the ten Supervisors, making a saving of $136,000, and to cut down gaugers, storekeepers, agents, &c., thus saving $250,000. In the matter of stamps, printing, paper, &c., $50,000 will be saved; in all, a cut-down of $1,056,000.

—A professional census of the French Senate gives the following results: One bishop, 2 ex-workingmen, 3 diplomatists, 3 barristers of the Council of State or Court of Cassation, 4 medical men, 6 engineers, 7 superior naval officers, 9 university professors 14 judicial dignitaries, 17 manufacturers, 20 members of the Institute, without reckoning the Bishop of Orleans, 26 officers, 4 of them being colonels, 21 generals, and 1 a marshal. The remaining 188 are mostly barristers, men of letters, fund-holders, or land-owners and commercial men.

—The books of the Treasury Department show the following facts: National Bank circulation January 14, 1875, $351,861,450; new circulation issued to February 1, 1876, $13,440,555; total, $365,302,005; redeemed and retired from January 14, 1875, to February 1, 1876, $18,621,342; surrendered between same dates, $3,812,484; total, $22,433,826; amount outstanding February 1, 1876, 342,868,179; legal tenders on hand to redeem circulation February 14, 1876, $22,431,798; gold notes not included in the above statement of circulation of banks, $2,100,350; legal tenders and fractional currency retired from January 1, 1875, to January 1, 1876, $11,775,481.17.

—If the story be true that the lottery dealers have been at times outwitted by means of sympathetic inks, one of which faded while the other came into view, the wonder is that such an invention has not been turned to account in other ways. A bank, for instance, might be greatly astonished at finding the indorsements on the note which it had discounted, fade into nothingness; the notes themselves might be reduced in amount, or even become blank paper before they fell due. The field for love letters free from all risk of breach-of-promise suits could thus be indefinitely widened; when the disappointed lady put her documents in the hands of a lawyer, they might have resolved themselves into non-committal remarks on the weather.

—That Leap Year Party under the auspices of the *creme de la creme*, will come off in Washington to-night. The Secretaries of State and of the Navy have been asked to receive and distribute favors. Of course the ladies have sought and obtained partners, and, as only sixty couples can be accommodated, all but sixty of the Washington beaux will be to ill to attend, or will find it "absolutely necessary to visit Baltimore upon important business." The favored three score will be chaperoned by anxious papas or uncles, who will be expected to cheerfully occupy the seats of the dowagers, talk scandal and drink beef tea, though a little curved corn juice would perhaps better suit their taste. Miss Jewett, who is President of the Leap Year, has asked Dr. Nelson, President of the Washington Club, to dance with her.

—Mr. Lamar and his coadjutors have had considerable difficulty in fixing up the committee to arrange the caucus Finance bill, and it has been changed two or three times to meet exigencies arising during the consideration. The entire committee, as it is at last definitely made up, is as follows: Said to be for hard money—Representative Gibson, of Louisiana; Morrison, of Illinois; Payne, of Ohio; Barnum, of Connecticut; and Senators Thurman, Bayard and McDonald. For soft money—Representatives Bright, of Tennessee; Walker, of Virginia; Holman, of Indiana; Southard, of Ohio; Shenkley, of Pennsylvania; and Senator Merrimon. The committee has been made up on purpose to agree to the Payne bill, which was agreed upon as the party measure at Fernando Wood's house early in the session. Holman is the only man who is very "offish."

FIRST EDITION.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Legislative Proceedings.

A Number of Bills Passed by the Senate.

The Vagrancy Bill Recalled from the House.

The Bituminous Coal Mine Bill Passed Second Reading in the House.

SENATE.

Special to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

HARRISBURG, February 17, 1876.

The Senate was called to order at 11 o'clock, the Lieutenant Governor in the Chair.

Petitions.

The following petitions were offered:

Praying for adopting resolutions instructing our Senators and requesting our members of Congress to vote for the bill now before Congress asking Government aid in the construction of the Texas Pacific Railroad.

By Mr. CLARKE, eight petitions against the repeal of the prohibitory license law.

Committee Reports.

The following bills were reported affirmatively from committees:

Amending the penal laws, defining and providing for the punishment of the offence of unlawfully obtaining the key or means of opening any bank vault, safe or depository.

An act to facilitate the hearing of appeals and writs of error by imposing the costs upon the parties, requiring security to be given therefor, and requiring the Supreme Court to hold additional terms, with amendments.

An act requiring the statements of banks and banking companies made to the Auditor General to be published.

Bills Introduced.

An act authorizing the supervisors of the different townships of the State to collect additional road tax on ore beds.

An act to compensate counsel assigned by a court to defend persons charged with felony in the courts of the State, providing the amount shall not exceed fifteen dollars.

A supplementary act to the road laws requiring compensation to be given before new roads are opened to the owners of land through which the road passes.

An act to authorize the sale of merchandise from wagon and other vehicles at wholesale to dealers.

An act regulating the compensation of newspapers for publishing the mercantile appraisers' lists in the several counties of the State, providing that hereafter all papers publishing the mercantile appraisers' lists shall be allowed a sum not exceeding their publishing rates, and that the sum so paid shall be paid by the Auditor General.

Vagrancy.

MR. STANTON offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives be requested to return to the Senate the bill to define and suppress vagrancy.

The resolution was agreed to.

Bills on Third Reading.

The following bills were considered on third reading:

An act to regulate the sale of baled hay, &c., in the Commonwealth. Passed.

An act to repeal section four of an act to incorporate the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society. Postponed.

An act declaratory of the true intent of section sixty-six of the act to consolidate, revise and amend the penal laws of the Commonwealth. Recommitted on motion of Mr. JONES.

A supplementary act relating to executors and administrators, extending the provisions of said act to all sales of real estate made by order of the Orphans' Court. Passed.

An act defining the limitation in prosecutions for forgery. Passed.

The following bills were considered on

Second Reading.

An act to provide for the erection of a poor house and for the support of the poor in the several counties of the Commonwealth. The bill was so amended as to let the question of the erection of such building to be decided by the vote of the county in which the building is proposed to be erected.

An act for the incorporation and regulation of banks of discount and deposit. Postponed.

The above act prohibits banks from paying any interest on deposits.

A supplementary act relating to the settlement of public accounts.

Authorizing the transfer of accounts from one corporation to another in certain cases. Agreed to.

Appointments.

The Governor sent the following nomination to the Senate: Samuel Sebring, to be Justice of the Peace for the borough of Indiana, county of Indiana, until thirty days after the next election in said borough. James E. Rogers, of Pittsburgh, and James E. Sayers, of Waynesburg, were confirmed Notaries Public.

Adjourned.

HOUSE.

The House met at ten o'clock.

The following bills were considered on second reading:

Coal Mines.

An act providing means for securing the health and safety of persons employed in the bituminous coal mines of Pennsylvania. The bill was read by sections. A number of amendments perfecting it were added by Mr. JACKSON, who eloquently advocated the cause of workingmen employed in the mines.

The bill passed second reading as amended.

Divorces.

A further supplement to an act entitled "An act concerning divorces," approved the thirteenth day of March, 1815, was called up by Mr. WOLFE. The bill allows courts to grant divorces in any case where either of the parties shall have been convicted of forgery or perjury and receive sentence for any term exceeding two years.

Mr. WOLFE read the divorce laws of other States of the Union, and advocated the passage of the bill.

Mr. GUNSTER spoke forcibly against the bill, claiming that no argument in its favor had been advanced, excepting the shame of other States, and pointed to the effect of pernicious laws for divorce on other countries in other times, advocating, in conclusion, the repeal of the old instead of the enactment of new divorce laws.

Mr. LEACH favored the bill in a lengthy speech, abounding in scriptural references.

Mr. HAYS opposed the bill, claiming that it was gotten up to meet some special case.

Pending the discussion of the bill the House adjourned. K.

FOREIGN ADVICES.

A Steamship Horror Off Dover.

59 Persons Drowned.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Terrible Accident.

LONDON, February 17.—The Press Association furnishes the following: The steamer Franconia ran into the steamer Strath Clyde, of Glasgow, off Dover, this afternoon. The boiler of the Strath Clyde burst and she sank immediately. Fifty-two of her passengers were drowned. Five have been landed at Dover and four others are reported to have been saved.

Smith, Sundius & Co., steamer agents, report that the Franconia has put into Dover. She had her bow stove at the water line.

The following particulars of the disaster have been received: The steamer Strath Clyde, which sailed from London for Bombay, had been into Dover Bay to land her pilot. As she was shoving out again about a mile from the Admiralty pier she was caught by a strong tide, which turned her bow toward the southeast. The steamer Franconia, which was coming down the channel, ran into her with great force on her port quarter. The collision occurred at 4:30 P. M. Two minutes afterwards the boilers of the Strath Clyde exploded, and the steamer went to the bottom. The Franconia was badly damaged, but kept afloat, although here fore compartment plates were carried away. Two tugs immediately took her in tow. The weather was clear and the sea calm at the time of the disaster. The Dover life boat was launched, but was unable to reach the scene in time to rescue any of the Strath Clyde's passengers or crew.

Later.

LONDON, February 17.—Eleven persons were saved and fifty-nine drowned on the Strath Clyde.

BELGIUM.

Carl Vogt.

BRUSSELS, February 17.—Carl Vogt, the murderer extradited from the United States and sentenced to death, has appealed to the Court of Cassation. The final judgment is expected about the end of March.

FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, February 17, 1876.

Appropriations.

The Postoffice appropriation bill will be reported next Monday. The appropriation will be considerably below the estimate. The Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bill will probably be reported Tuesday. They follow the general principle of reducing the force twenty per cent. and salaries ten per cent. The Senate Committee on Appropriations took up the Military Academy bill. The clause reducing the pay and allowances of cadets was concurred in. The indications are that the bill will be reported to the Senate without material alteration,

THE BABCOCK TRIAL.

General Sherman on the Witness Stand.

Testimony as to the Good Character of the Defendant.

How Joyce Recovered the Letters with the Alleged Enclosures.

A Letter Carrier Lets the Cat Out of the Bag.

ST. LOUIS, February 17.—Upon the resumption of the trial of General Babcock this morning, in the United States Circuit Court, a number of witnesses were put upon the stand to testify to the character of the defendant.

General Sherman on the Witness Stand.

General Sherman testified: I am General of the Army of the United States; I have known General O. E. Babcock intimately; I have known him since 1861, but my better knowledge of him dates from the time he brought me a dispatch at Savannah from General Grant; since then I have known him almost constantly; his reputation has been very good; I never heard it questioned until these troubles; I have seen General Babcock a hundred times in the room of the Executive Mansion, next to the President's room; it might be called the ante-room; those who go to see the President see General Babcock first, and perhaps accomplish the object of the visit without seeing the President at all; General Babcock also opens the letters, distributes them, and answers all except the most important; he is a kind of intermediate between the people and the President.

Testimony as to good character was also given by General Jas. H. Simpson, of the Corps of Engineers; General W. S. Hancock, Captain L. S. Babbitt, commanding the St. Louis Arsenal; General S. B. Sturgis, in command of this port; Hon. E. A. Borie, ex-secretary of the Navy.

Ex-Governor Fletcher.

At this point ex-Governor Fletcher was put upon the stand and identified several letters from Babcock to Joyce as those placed in his possession a few weeks ago by Mrs. Joyce. Only one of these letters was read at this stage of the trial. It was dated March 17, 1874, and directed to Joyce in San Francisco. It was in reply to Joyce's message to Babcock: "Tell Douglass to call off his scandal hounds, that only blacken the memory of Ford and his friends." Babcock informs Joyce that there are no charges against Ford, and tells him that he believes he (Joyce) was sent to San Francisco because of his high standing with the Commissioner.

Letters from Deputy Commissioner Rogers.

The defense then introduced two letters from Deputy Commissioner H. C. Rogers to Gen. John McDonald, dated respectively Washington, March 3d, and March 22d, 1873, to show, as the counsel said, that as late as the date of these letters there was no suspicion of Gen. McDonald, either by Rogers or the Department. The first letter asks on behalf of Rogers and Commissioner Douglass that McDonald will find a place as deputy collector in Arkansas, or elsewhere, for a young man well qualified for such a position, and states that such a favor on the part of McDonald would be an accommodation to a member of the Cabinet. The other letter refers to the probabilities of the appointment of Mr. Douglass to the Judgeship of the District of Columbia, and solicits McDonald's influence in his (Rogers') behalf for the place to be made vacant by the retirement of Douglass. This letter was referred to by Rogers in his testimony.

Other Witnesses.

E. A. Warner, cashier of the Lindell Hotel, testified that Rogers was at that hotel in November, 1873.

General J. L. Fullerton, a lawyer of this city, testified to knowing Babcock in the army during the late war and since then in Washington. His reputation was good.

Three gentlemen connected with the Postoffice in this city testified as to the street letter box question here, stating that it was unsafe to deposit valuable letters in the boxes; that the public had been repeatedly cautioned against doing so. There was no rule or regulation prohibiting it, however.

Letters from Joyce to Babcock.

The defense then introduced several letters from Joyce to Babcock, written at different times from 1870 to 1875. Some of these enclosed editorials written by Joyce and published in the St. Louis (Mo.) *Herald* and West Plaindealer, and were offered in proof of his zealousness in political matters. Another from Little Rock, Ark., apprised Babcock of the election of Clayton Worthington to the Senate, and stated that his election would carry Arkansas for Grant. And another enclosed resolutions in the memory of Charles W. Ford, adopted at a public meeting here soon after that gentleman's death. The answers to these letters were then produced and heard; also two of these letters, which, as Joyce testified in regard to character, and indicate that the writers of them were on friendly terms, but contain no allusion whatever to the matters or anything connected with relevant affairs.

T. C. Dickinson, Chief Clerk of the First Comptroller's Office in Washington, and Geo. O. Benjamin, connected with the office of Public Buildings and Grounds, Washington, were called to identify for the prosecution. The signature of Geo. S. Joyce, doorkeeper at the President's Mansion, to whom the dispatch of April 13th, 1875, addressed to Babcock, was traced, but they failed to satisfactorily identify his signature.

Telegraphic Dispatches.

The counsel for the defense then read dispatches which have been held in reserve two or three days. The following was submitted:

ST. LOUIS, December 3, 1874.

Gen. O. E. Babcock—

Has the Secretary or Commissioner ordered anybody here?

[Signed] J.

The following two were ruled out:

WASHINGTON, December 3, 1874.

Jno. A. Joyce, St. Louis:

Cannot hear that any one is gone or is going.

[Signed] O. E. BABCOCK.

ST. LOUIS, April 22, 1875.

Gen. O. E. Babcock, Washington:

Tell Mac, to see Parker of Colorado, and telegram to Commissioner. Crush out St. Louis enemies.

[Signed] GRIT.

Regarding the last dispatch, the Court said, although it was admitted to be in the handwriting of Joyce, and that he had been in the habit of using it, there was no proof that the defendant had received it, or that he did receive it, from whom it came, and there was no proof that it was ever answered.

A Letter Carrier's Testimony.

James Magill, a letter carrier, then testified: In the latter part of February, 1875, I was coming down Pine street, near Fifth. Mr. Joyce spoke to me, and said there were two letters in the street letter-box which he wished to get back. He pointed to a box on the southwest corner of Fifth and Pine. I asked Col. Joyce to describe the letters before I opened the box. He said one was addressed to W. O. Avery, Washington, D. C., and marked "personal" in the corner, and the other was to O. E. Babcock, Washington, D. C., also marked "personal." I went to the box, although it was off my district, and searched among the letters. I found the two and handed them to Col. Joyce.

Mr. Storrs—Did you get a receipt?

Witness—No, sir.

Mr. Storrs—Is it not customary?

Witness—Yes it is. I said: "Look here, Colonel, I want a receipt. If you want to put them in the mail again I will go with you, and see it done."

Mr. Storrs—What did he say?

Witness—He said—"Oh, that's all right," "thunkford," or something like that, "it's only a blind."

Mr. Storrs—Is it frequent to give letters back?

Witness—No, sir.

Mr. Storrs—You sometimes do?

Witness—On a business route it is frequent—that is, letters are put in and the parties forget an enclosure, or sometimes like that, and they are returned to them.

Mr. Storrs—Did you report that matter to the postoffice?

Witness—No, sir.

Mr. Storrs—Why?

Witness—Well, I thought it was so frivolous that there was no use of saying anything about it.

Mr. Storrs—Did you usually report?

Witness—I usually carried blanks in my pocket which I had parties sign who wanted letters back, then I compared the writing.

Mr. Storrs—How did you happen to remember the time this occurred?

Witness—Was house-hunting about that time. I had been looking around four or five days for a house. I had just been to the Polytechnic looking for a man who I had heard had a house. I was on my way down to make a collection. it was my day to collect for seven other carriers.

Cross-examination.

This witness had been mail-carrier five years; never gave letters to Colonel Joyce at any other time. It was a frequent thing to return letters on business routes; recollected the circumstance particularly, because it was off his beat; had opened boxes frequently on business streets, and returned letters, but could not recollect the names of any persons for whom he had done it.

When pressed very hard, witness said he had returned a letter to G. W. Fishback; had returned them to many business houses on Main street, but could not swear to any particular one firm. He was repeatedly pressed to recollect the name of anybody else for whom he had taken letters out of boxes, but he could not remember one. He carried blank receipts; had receipts with him when he gave the letters to Joyce, but Joyce refused to give him a receipt, saying "Oh, that's all right," "thunkidori," or something of that sort, "it's only a blind." It occurred on the last day of February, 1875, about 1 P. M.; did not tell the postmaster about the matter, nor any one else about the office; mentioned the matter first last Saturday night to his wife; had been reading in the papers the testimony of Evenst about putting letters in the letter box, and recollected he had given Joyce just such letters. He ruminated over the matter a while and told his wife. The next morning (Sunday), after going off duty, he went to the Lindell Hotel and saw General Babcock; he sent him to Judge Porter, to whom he repeated his story. He gave full details of the matter to no one but Storrs and Porter outside of his own family. No one had been to see him about it before he went to the Lindell Hotel. He consulted with no one but his wife. He repeated the addresses of the letters given to Joyce as Gen. O. E. Babcock and Col. W. O. Avery. He would not admit that he had talked about the matter to anybody except some letter carriers at the postoffice to-day.

Col. Dyar pressed him very hard, but he would not acknowledge that he had had any conversation or conversation with any other than those mentioned above.

The witness then went into a long account of his various occupations since he had lived in the city, but gave nothing more bearing on the case. It is understood the prosecution will offer testimony in rebuttal of this evidence to-morrow.

The President's Deposition.

Mr. Storrs then asked for the deposition of the President, which was produced by the clerk, and it was read by Judge Porter.

As several objections had been made to the questions and answers, Judge Dillon, during the noon recess, looked it over and marked the objections overruled or sustained, leaving the deposition, however, it is said, in very nearly the same form it was originally.

This document, so far as is known, was surreptitiously obtained last night and telegraphed in full to a Chicago paper, and for this reason it is omitted in these dispatches. It is said no blame can attach to the counsel on either side for the publication in advance of the deposition. It was on file in the office of the Clerk of Court, but whether it was presented from that office or whether a copy had been made which fell into the hands of some enterprising reporter is not known.

After the reading of the deposition Mr. Storrs offered the recommendation in favor of the appointment of McDonald as Supervisor of this district, but the Court ruled them out and the defense closed their case.

Adjourned.

Whisky Trials in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, February 17.—In the case of Amann & Co., on trial the past week in the United States Court, charged with omitting to make proper entries of spirits, the jury to-day returned a verdict of "not guilty." The case of Henry H. Hamilton, a rectifier, and Lewis A. Logan, bar-keeper, was taken up. Hamilton is charged with making false notices of an intention to rectify, and Logan with making false entries in the sales book of rectifier's stamps. The case will probably take some days, as a large number of witnesses are called.

Indictments in Chicago.

CHICAGO, February 17.—The Grand Jury of the United States District Court this afternoon returned two joint indictments against Keely & Kerwin, distillers, for whisky frauds,

SECOND EDITION

THE ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Examination of the Plymouth Church Committee.

The Cost of the Scandal Trial to Mr. Beecher $118,000.

NEW YORK, February 17.—After the usual religious exercises this morning in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, the Advisory Council was called to order by General Bates, Assistant Moderator. Rev. Dr. Sturtevant, of Illinois College, reopened the discussion of last evening, and said when it was interrupted he was on the point of offering a resolution inviting Judge Van Cott, Mrs. Moulton's counsel, to appear before the Council and state his views of the facts which led to the failure of the Mutual Council. It was very important they should know whether or not the Plymouth Church Committee was censurable for any action they had taken in relation to the Mutual Council.

Speaking of the absence of the necessity for calling the Rev. Drs. Storrs and Buddington and Messrs. Tilton and Bowen, as no questions concerning them were to be considered by the Council, Rev. Mr. Sturtevant said that he listened with a great deal of reluctance to remarks made about the Church of the Pilgrims and Clinton Avenue Church and their pastors. The Mutual Council failed from some reason, and they wanted to know the reason.

Dr. Walcott, Chairman of the Committee on Question No. 5, said that the committee this morning unanimously decided to write to Judge Van Cott to present his statement of the case before it.

Mr. Sturtevant was arguing in favor of Mr. Van Cott appearing before the Council when the death of Rev. Dr. Bushnell was announced. Eulogies were pronounced, resolutions of regret adopted, and Henry Ward Beecher offered up fervent prayer, causing many to shed tears.

The discussion of the pending question was then resumed.

Mr. Beecher, while cries of "question" were heard, said the committee were not only willing, but anxious that Mr. Van Cott should appear before the Council or committee.

"That is good and noble," answered a delegate.

A protracted discussion resulted finally in the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the committee invite Judge Van Cott to appear before this body and state his views on the part of McDonald with reference to the proposed and abandoned mutual council between himself as the representative of Mrs. Moulton and the committee of Plymouth Church.

Rev. Lyman Abbott, Chairman of the Business Committee, presented three resolutions, which excited a heated and long discussion. The first and second were to the effect that the special committee be enjoined to keep their results private, to be presented to the Council in secret session, and that the Council go into committee of the whole for their consideration. The portion of resolutions requiring secrecy was stricken out and the remainder adopted. A third resolution, which provided for the appointment of a committee of nine, whose duty it should be to take all conclusions and embody them in the final report to the Council, created animated discussion, and was finally laid upon the table. A resolution that the six committees of the Council report to the Council to-morrow morning, precipitated another long discussion, and it, too, was laid on the table. Finally a resolution was adopted in support of a motion for the appointment of scientific and industrial education. Placed on the calender.

In reporting the bill he said the committee was unanimous in its favor.

A Good Bill.

Mr. HOWE presented a petition, which he said purported to be signed by citizens of Wisconsin, asking the passage of a law requiring the Treasurer of the United States to pay every man, woman and child residing in the country, without distinction on account of color, the sum of ten dollars previous condition of servitude, the sum of ten dollars a week, such sum to be paid every Saturday night at the postoffice nearest the residence of such person. He said there was no limit as to time, but to prevent any undue importunities of the memory the petitioners thought no more than $5,000,000,000 should be issued in any one year. He was not entirely certain that this was a wise measure. [Laughter.] It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Finances.

Mr. WRIGHT introduced a bill to reduce the interest upon the public debt, provide for a safe and elastic currency, for the speedy appreciation of the value of Treasury notes, and to guard against panics and inflation of bank credits. Referred.

Mr. WRIGHT said he introduced the bill by request, and without committing himself to its provisions.

Printing Debates.

Mr. ANTHONY called up the concurrent resolution submitted by him yesterday in regard to printing the debates of Congress in the Congressional Record. He moved that the resolution by referred to the Committee on Printing. So ordered.

Interest on District of Columbia Bonds.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the unfinished business, being the report of the conference committee on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the joint resolution to pay the interest on 3.65 District of Columbia bonds.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to recommit the report to the conference committee that the resolution might be perfected and have all creditors paid.

After discussion the motion of Mr. Sherman to recommit was agreed to—yeas 30, nays 27.

Timber Lands.

The Senate then took up the bill to provide for the sale of timber lands in the States of California and Oregon and in the territories of the United States, the pending question being on the amendment of Mr. McMillan providing that any person availing himself of the provisions of the act shall, in addition to the other requirements mentioned in the bill, declare that he has never executed any mortgages or other instrument on said lands or any part thereof by or under which the title may be vested in any other person.

After discussion the amendment of Mr. McMillan was agreed to.

Mr. SARGENT submitted an amendment requiring any person availing himself of the provisions of the act to declare, in addition to the other requirements mentioned in the bill, that he had made no agreement or contract by which the title he might acquire from the Government of the United States or any right in said lands or timber thereon should inure in whole or in part to any other person, &c. Agreed to.

Pending the discussion the Senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.

After electing a Speaker *pro tem.* the House took up the bill for the reorganization of the judiciary.

After discussion Mr. SAYLER (Ohio) moved to lay it on the table. Rejected.

The House then adjourned.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, MUNICIPAL HALL, SMITHFIELD ST. Notice is hereby given that all owners, (whether resident or non-resident of the city of Pittsburgh,) of

Drays, Carts, Carriages, Buggies, &c.,

To pay their Licenses at this office forthwith. All Licenses not paid on or before the

First Monday in March, 1876,

Will be placed in the hands of a Police Officer for collection, subject to a collection fee of Fifty Cents, and all persons neglecting to pay on or before the

First Monday in May, 1876,

Will be subject to a penalty double the amount of the License, to be recovered before the Mayor or an Alderman of said city.

The old Metal Plate of last year must be returned at the time Licenses are taken out, or Twenty-five Cents additional will be charged on each License.

RATES OF LICENSE.

Each One-horse Vehicle	$ 7 50
Each Two-horse Vehicle	12 00
Each Four-horse Vehicle	15 00
Each Two-horse Hack	15 00
Omnibus and Timber Wheels, drawn by two horses	18 00

$1.00 extra will be charged for each additional horse used in above specified vehicles.

C. L. MAGEE,
CITY TREASURER.
Pittsburgh, February 2, 1876. b5

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Certificate No. 1 Pittsburgh and Allegheny Bridge Co., (Hand street) issued June 21st, 1847, to Charles Avery for forty-two (42) shares, has been lost and that application will be made to the President and Managers of said Bridge Company for a new certificate. 10-TF

W. W. TYSON,
Sealer of Weights and Measures,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY.
Office—68 Liberty Street, Pittsburgh.
Hours—8 A. M. to 5 P. M. a26

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR OF GAS AND GAS METERS, FOR ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

DESIRING THAT THE PUBLIC should more generally avail themselves of the advantages of this office, I would give notice to persons desiring to have their meters tested to leave their orders at the offices of their respective Gas Companies, or at my office, corner of Twenty-third and Smallman streets, and they will receive prompt attention.

R. H. SMITH, Inspector.

ELECTIONS.

OFFICE OF THE MONONGAHELA BRIDGE CO., PITTSBURGH, Feb. 5, 1876.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Thirteen Managers of this Company will be held at the Toll House, on MONDAY, March 6th, 1876, at 2 o'clock P. M.

JOHN G. HOLMES,
Treasurer.
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Reform in Life Insurance.

We bespeak the reading and careful study by our readers of a notice in to-day's GAZETTE of the *Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York*, signed by H. L. Dunn, the manager of the Pittsburgh Branch office. Some entirely new features are inaugurated by this company, which will, we think, commend it to favor with thoughtful men. Especially noteworthy is the security guaranteed to the assured—that his insurance will cost him no more than it costs the company—that his legitimate share of earnings is held as a *savings* to his credit—available not only to his family after his death, but to himself at any time that he may—whether from choice or necessity—desire his policy to lapse. In these and other features of this company, it will be seen that more consideration is given and more advantages secured to the assured than has been heretofore customary. Much credit is due to Mr. Sheppard Homans, a distinguished Life Underwriter of large experience, for his authorship of what seems to be truly a most provident plan for cheap and safe life insurance, as presented in detail in the printed prospectus of the well named "*Provident Savings Life Assurance Society.*"

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Full and Complete Line

GROCERIES.

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY HAVING been granted to the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Allegheny county, on the estate of E. D. CURRY, deceased, late of Jefferson township, in said county, persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims against the estate will present them to

WM. CURRY, Executor.

DISSOLUTION—NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the firm of W. A. BARTLEY & BRO. was dissolved by mutual consent on November 26th, 1875. W. A. Bartley will continue the business at the old stand, No. 1035, corner Diamond and 28th streets. W. A. Bartley is alone authorized to collect all dues and will settle all debts of the old firm to the 26th day of November, 1875.

W. A. BARTLEY,
MILTON BARTLEY.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania.—In the matter of the petition of John Riesick, Bankrupts, No. 2,622. In Bankruptcy. Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the creditors of said George Riesick and John Riesick, Bankrupts, will be held at the office of the undersigned, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 98 Diamond street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Thursday, the 2d day of March, A. D. 1876, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of considering and passing upon the petition of said bankrupts to be discharged from all debts and claims which are provable against their estates under said Acts, and such other business as may properly come before said meeting. I will attend at the above mentioned time and place, to conduct the proceedings at said meeting. Creditors may attend either in person or by proxy duly appointed.

SAMUEL HARPER,
Register in Bankruptcy.
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Our annual SEED CATALOGUE now ready for distribution, free. Call or send for one. Our inducements are greater than ever before offered by us. Special Price List for DEALERS and MARKET GARDENERS. FARMERS would do well to examine our stock CLOVER, TIMOTHY, ORCHARD GRASS and other FIELD SEEDS. Also, our full line of best and most approved FARM IMPLEMENTS.

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AT VERY LOW PRICES,

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Have just opened and receiving daily extensive additions to each department of stock, comprising

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KING, REED & CO., EDITORS AND PROPRIETORS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1876.

PETROLEUM at Antwerp 31f.

BONDS at Frankfort, new 5s, 101½.

GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 113¾.

STOKES has the bump of pertinacity largely developed. He has made another appeal for release. If he fails ultimately to get from behind his prison bars, it will not be through any lack of effrontery.

THE Legislative Committee commenced work again on the Reform School matter. The inquiries of the Legislators yesterday were chiefly directed to the development of the sanitary condition of the institution, and the revelations were not at all savory.

THERE was music in Council yesterday. The Democrats were suddenly struck with the retrenchment fever, and so "sat down" upon the appropriation ordinance. They claimed that the city should spend as little money as possible, which is an irrefragible truth; but they didn't seem to consider it necessary to suggest how the city could pay its bills on anything less than the aggregate amount asked for. There was a time a few months ago when they were asked to vote for a reduction of salaries in certain departments. They didn't do it, though, and now when they are asked to appropriate the money necessary to pay the salaries which they refused to reduce, they wail for retrenchment. What cheap clap-trap this is! At a time when they could have evidenced the sincerity of their yearnings for retrenchment, they yielded to the seductive influences of "button-holing," and brayed, nay. Their wild shouting for reduction now will hardly fall convincingly upon the public tympanum. We are no advocates of extravagance in municipal expenditures. They are heavy enough in any event, but the city must pay it bills. If the Finance Committee, composed of economically inclined Democrats as well as Republicans, cannot see its way clear through the coming year, with any less money than it has asked for, it does seem like child's play and hypocritical pretence to quibble about the appropriations.

REFORM.

THE Democracy is red-hot for reform. Especially frenzied does it become when contemplating Republican extravagance, and with a joy that is ecstatic it proceeds to cut down expenditures. It has a peculiar way of doing this, however. In the National legislative halls it proceeds to reform by chopping off consular salaries, and taking the pennies thus saved,—added to a healthy draft from the Treasury—to pay its dear friends in the South, who suffered by the ravages of an unreasonable war waged for the preservation of our national life. The same yearning desire for retrenchment prevails among the adherents of Democracy in our State Legislature. The statesmen who make our laws are allowed $1,000 salary for the first hundred days, and $10 a day for each of the fifty succeeding days in which they may be engaged in forming our statutes. The general public outside have an idea that three months ought to be sufficient to crystalize, into laws, the floating fancies and brilliant ideas which trouble the legislative intellect, and in this opinion the Republican members seem to coincide, but not so the erudite Democracy. It has persistently declined to fix a day for adjournment, and with owl-like dignity, demands more time for deliberation. Meantime the appropriations reported by the House Committee, composed of a majority of Democrats, figure up neatly, the expenses of the Legislature, at just the amount necessary to cover the extra fifty days. At the first glance this may not seem like economy; but it is nevertheless, though the State Treasury is not to be directly benefited The economy is somewhat personal; it lies in the fact that the fifty extra days will serve to bring the legislative period within the time for the opening of the Centennial Exposition and the members, who until the adjournment of a session, by the grace of Col. TOM SCOTT, travel as ornaments—a sort of legislative bric-a-bracon the Pennsylvania Railroad, can form a junketing party, to take in the Centennial, with their traveling expenses paid, and ten dollars a day pocket money to see the sights, while taking in the Exposition. This little plan will only cost the State directly over $125,000, but as it takes the money out of the State Treasury and circulates it among the people, and besides relieves the Legislator's exchequer of too great a pressure, who is there that can say it is not reform—in a Democratic sense at least.

PREJUDGING CASES.

One of the most noticable evils of newspaperdom is the tendency to prejudge men and events, often on the merest fragment of evidence, and frequently from the statements of the wildest partisans. Papers interested in dragging President GRANT into the whisky mire, have been positive in the assertion that BABCOCK was guilty of complicity with the Whisky Ring, and that the President, in adhering to the good opinion he had of him, had sinister motives. A long list of telegrams was published, with the intention of having it believed that these proved beyond a peradventure that BABCOCK was operating on the President, controlling his actions, and that he gave to the conspirators all the information he was able to glean from time to time. All those telegrams have been put in evidence, and the prosecution has rested its case. The evidence of the defence has not yet been brought forward to relieve the shadows which the prosecution has sought to throw around them. They stand, as yet, just as the prosecution has developed them. All the criminating power they possess rests with full force on the defendant. What then? The answer is that the case as it stands might safely go to the jury, without fear that BABCOCK would be convicted. Whatever may be said of the lack of wisdom which led him to repose so much confidence in the parties to whom the telegrams were sent; and whatever suspicions may be entertained as to his guiltiness, by those who look upon the dark side of all men's characters,—the fact still remains that nothing has been presented that seems to fasten on him the charge of guilty complicity with the Whisky Ring.

The case for the defense is yet to be developed. BABCOCK claims that he will be able to show that the telegrams are entirely innocent, and that in sending them, he was governed by no evil or illegal purpose. It will be essential, if he would be wholly free from suspicion, that he do this. The evidence of the President will go far toward securing the result aimed at. If it is as reported, he fully exonerates BABCOCK from having at any time sought to influence him, in relation to changes made in Supervisors, or in any of the movements made with the Whisky Ring. Further, his testimony shows that if the Ring did seek to have done what was done, they were so blind as to entrap themselves, as those movements resulted in trapping them in their guilt. If other evidence concurs to this effect, the result can only be the acquittal of BABCOCK, free from suspicion of blame. Ex-Commissioner DOUGLASS, who has reason to be vindictive, also testified to the prosecution that BABCOCK, in his interviews with him, did not seek to influence him as to the whisky cases. Thus there is concurring testimony, even now, to the effect that he did not seek to influence the officers who had control of those cases. If other evidence shall be equally clear, he must, in the nature of things, be honorably acquitted. Yet he has been hounded these months past, as an undeniably guilty man.

We do not profess to know anything officially of the case of SCHENCK and the Emma mine, but there are circumstances surrounding it that should cause us to be cautious, at the least, in pronouncing him guilty. That he was imprudent, in having anything to do with it, is undoubtedly true. But imprudence is not a crime. His side of the case, so far as we understand it is, that he was led to honestly believe that the mine was all that was claimed for it. We can readily imagine that this was true. TRENOR W. PARK, a capitalist, offered to loan him the means to purchase a given number of shares, and guaranteed eighteen per cent. dividends. In the light of later revelations this was suspicious; but at the time, it probably appeared rather an expression of confidence, which served to disarm the Minister's doubts. He committed an error in becoming a Director, but we can readily imagine that he thought he was bestowing a favor on the financial public in commending to their adoption the shares in those mines. At all events, this is his statement, and until disproven, it is at least charitable to accept it. The trials soon to occur will develop the real facts and then the entire case can be judged in the light of them. In saying this we readily admit that the English public was enormously swindled, in the Emma mine transaction, and that Mr. SCHENCK is legally amenable for his part in the transaction. But that he was morally guilty, in the sense that he knew of the fraudulent character of the scheme is another and very different thing. We hope he may clear himself from all blame in this direction, and in the meantime claim that all harsh criticism is uncalled for.

Other cases might be cited—but we have referred to the two above mentioned as examples of the possibility of misjudging, on the basis of appearance only. We have noticed instances when persons have been injured in character and reputation irreparably by such pre-judgments of their cases. The press of this country wields a tremendous power—and because of its extent and influence, it should be prudently and charitably wielded.

THE DUTIES ON STEEL.

On February 14th the Chicago *Tribune* said editorially: "The present tariff on steel is perfectly useless. *Foreigners can enter our markets and sell steel in competition with American manufacturers, duty or no duty.*" On February 15—just one day afterward—the same paper said editorially: "*Not a ton of English steel could be sold in this country if the duty were reduced to* $5 *per ton.*" The *Inter-Ocean* replies and says this outrageous self-contradiction urgently suggests a proverb about a class of persons who should have good memories. It also conclusively shows that its neighbor's free-trade advocacy is imbued neither with acquaintance with the facts nor with sincerity of conviction, but is zeal without knowledge or discretion, and fidelity without principle.

It is true that American manufacturers have overmastered foreign competition in our markets for the sale of steel of all grades, and that they are rapidly engrossing the home demand; but how has all this been brought about? Certainly not by adopting anything like a free trade policy. Neither under the tariff of 1846, nor under the lower one of 1857, inexorably reduced to the revenue standard so constantly recommended by the *Tribune*, were we able to produce the steel we consumed, except only a small quantity of the commonest quality. Tool steel was not successfully made in the United States until experiment had been encouraged by tariff protection. Our own producers are now supplying three-fourths to seven-eighths of the domestic demand for all grades of steel, and have even reached the beginning of exportation. Price has declined so that the home trade article is placed on the market at only the fraction of a cent more than the invoice cost of the foreign article in the port of shipment, even measuring values in coin. As early as 1867 this cheapening tendency of our tariff policy was fully recognized by DAVID A. WELLS, when he said, in his report for that year:

It is also represented to the Commissioner that, since the introduction of the manufacture of these grades of steel in the United States, or since 1859, *the price of foreign steel of similar qualities has been very considerably reduced through the effect of the American competition, and that the whole country in this way has gained more than sufficient to counterbalance the tax levied as a* PROTECTION FOR THE AMERICAN STEEL MANUFACTURE, WHICH HAS GROWN UP UNDER ITS INFLUENCE.

Here we have various admissions—that the tariff on steel was made protective; that the industry rapidly developed under such influence; and that the price of the foreign article has been so much reduced by the opposition of American rivalry as to net a gain to consumers equivalent to the duties levied. In view of these facts—for they are real facts, demonstrable, established facts,—how can the *Tribune* have the effrontery to claim that the duties on steel are a burdensome tax upon the whole country, the bulk of which goes into the pockets of the manufacturers, only a small fraction being revenue to the Government?

Without protection we would not have obtained the industries which have eventuated in such fruitful and acceptable results. Under the invitation and encouragement thus held out by our Government, the guerdon is almost won, as many considerations indicate. For instance, a canvasser for advertising for a Western journal tells us that he was, some months ago, in the offices of the American agencies of Sheffield steel did not pay; that American competition was underselling them in the American market; that American steel of every grade, with a few immaterial exceptions, was fully equal in quality to the English make, besides being cheaper; and that the day was not far distant when the offices would have to be closed once for all. So said the representatives of SAUNDERSON & Co. and JESSOP & SON. Is it to be supposed that these agents would have made such representations, so calculated to injure their own prospects and the business of their principals, had the facts been otherwise than stated? No; all surrounding circumstances verify the sentiments.

Then why not repeal the duties in such a case? Why maintain imposts that result in no revenue? Why continue entry charges under which no entries of any moment are likely to take place? Perhaps such questions may be asked. We will answer. On the same principle that we erect and garrison forts in time of profound peace, as preparation against some contingency of war. The moment we should remove our tariff barriers against foreign competition, we should offer temptation to our Sheffield rivals to flood the American market with steel goods. Price would in that case be a secondary consideration in seeking purchasers; the first, central, paramount design would be to crush out our domestic manufacturers of steel at any cost. This contest would be waged on very unequal terms by our own producers. Their English competitors, having by far the largest share of accumulated capital, and command of plenty more at low rates of interest, would have immense advantages in conducting the conflict. It would be a desperate struggle between a long purse and a short one; *and the long purse would certainly win.* It has often been so before, it would be so again. If necessary to accomplish the ruin of our manufacturers, steel would be offered by English houses for sale in our markets at half the cost of production. The feeling of individual interest would lead the American consumer, looking only to the present, and leaving the future to take care of itself, to buy where he could buy cheapest. Our own steel-makers would have to submit to the ruinously low prices thus arbitrarily fixed or else at once surrender their customers to their foreign rivals. The effort to retain patronage would for a time make steel exceedingly cheap, and free traders would no doubt exult over such cheapness as conclusive evidence of the correctness of their theories about an unrestricted commerce. Yet every sale accomplished by our steel-makers would chronicle a loss, not a profit; and every successive step of the unequal contest would leave them relatively weaker than their antagonists. At length the end would come. Most of our manufacturers of steel, crippled, or prostrate, or bankrupt, would have to yield to the inevitable and retire vanquished from the field. Then their competitors would occupy our markets with a monopoly control. Prices would go up, up, up, until figures were reached that would fully reimburse Englishmen for their losses, while American consumers would be forced to contribute out of their own pockets, in the shape of these enhanced, exorbitant, unavoidable prices, the expenses incurred by foreigners in breaking down industrial establishments in the United States. After being duped with cheapness they would be victimized with dearness. Too late they would learn that there is no severance from society; and that the individual who seeks his private advantage at the sacrifice of the public good must experience the justice which time never fails to award, arising out of the progress of events, and showing, by its punishment, that the laws of national well-being cannot be violated with impunity, or without involving the citizen in the injurious consequences. The country does not need such a severe lesson, or the people to have light shed again upon the tariff question by an illumination of suffering. It is far better for a nation's feet to be guided by the lamp of experience they already have.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

To the Editors of the Pittsburgh Gazette:

One hundred years ago the area of Pennsylvania was 45,684 square miles, it is now 46,000.

One hundred years ago the iron manufacturers of this county exported four thousand tons of iron annually.

One hundred years ago the American Colonies agreed to discontinue the Slave trade.

One hundred years ago the American Colonies exported 916 tons of Bar Iron to Great Britain.

One hundred years ago England only produced 50,000 tons of iron. Now one company at Pittsburgh produces 60,000 tons annually.

One hundred years ago the Sterling Iron Works, N. Y., made the famous chain which crossed the Hudson river from bank to bank, and barred the passage of the British ships. Now every iron manufacturer has a chain around his neck which stretches from bank to bank, and debars him from personal enjoyment.

One hundred years ago rolling mills did not work because there were none. Now they do not work because there are too many.

One hundred years ago Dr. Priestly, of Pennsylvania, discovered that the air was composed of oxygen and nitrogen. Now any man with a skull as thick as an *ox-hide*, knows that in addition to these elements, that the air is full of rumors.

One hundred years ago Anthracite coal was first discovered. Now twenty-five million tons are used annually in Pennsylvania.

One hundred years ago James Watt invented the low pressure steam engine and became bankrupt in building it. Now contraction is making a bankrupt of every person who is running steam engines.

One hundred years ago Dr. Roebuck, a pig iron manufacturer of Scotland, paid Watt's debts and set him on his feet. Now the *pig* Iron Manufacturers are down on all fours, and the cry is, root *hog* or die.

One hundred years ago they run out the metal and then puddled it. Now the pig is boiled, and the running is done by the iron master.

One hundred years ago the first iron bridge built in the world was constructed across the Severn in England. Now with all our engineering skill it is almost impossible to bridge the panic over.

One hundred years ago Smeaton built the first cast iron blowing cylinder to increase the pressure *in the furnace.* Now *the outside* pressure of contraction's panic has put the fires out.

One hundred years ago the rate of iron workers wages in Pennsylvania was $15 per month, *and fetch.* Now from $2 to $10 per day and roast beef.

One hundred years ago the iron masters made money and got rich. Now they are starving and havn't a stick.

One hundred years ago the Reading, Pa., Furnace was run on charcoal, and a wooden bellows driven with a one horse water wheel. Now with Anthracite for fuel, and all the modern improvements of machinery and *hot blast,* she is as *cold* as the North Pole.

One hundred years ago the Audover Works in New Jersey was the only establishment making steel in America. Now we are universally known for our stealing.

One hundred years ago the Mount Etna furnace near Hagerstown, Md., was casting cannon.

One hundred years ago the price of pig metal at the Cornwall furnace in Pennsylvania, was three hundred pounds of Continental money per ton. It is now $18 per ton.

One hundred years ago the Chicpgo river emptied into Lake Michigan. Now the tide is turned and Lake Michigan runs into the Chicago river. P. S. This is done on general principles because Chicago sucks in all creation.

One hundred years ago the water of Chicago river emptied into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but that did not suit the cooks. Now it empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

One hundred years ago all bar iron was *tilted* in that day. Now though *rolled* it won't pay.

One hundred years ago rolling mills were running through the brain of Henry Cort. Now they are running into bankruptcy.

One hundred years ago James D. Neilson was not born. Now every blast-furnace in the world is using his Hot Blast.

One hundred years ago the locomotives ran on four legs, and they were fed on oats and hay. Now they run on rails and are fed on coal. P. S. Both took their water straight.

One hundred years ago Robert Fulton was eleven years old. Now his steam-boats are as old as the hills.

One hundred years ago Oliver Evans of Newport, Delaware, invented the high pressure steam engine. Now, though his body has moldered away, who can measure the good he has done mankind.

One hundred years ago the largest blast-furnace in the world made only thirty tons per week. Now the Isabella makes 741 tons per week.

One hundred years ago the whole production of iron in America was 30,000 tons per annum. Now the Lucy or the Isabella broods over that weight of metallic pigs every year.

One hundred years ago Henry Burden was not born. Now his squeezer blooms the puddle balls of all creation.

One hundred years ago the iron was puddled on sand bottoms. Now though an iron bottom has displaced the sand, the manufacturers have to scratch gravel.

One hundred years ago Dr. Siemens was not born. Now his regenerating gas furnace for melting steel saves $11 out of every $12 of coal formed before his invention.

One hundred years ago Henry Bessemer had not *blowed* his first breath. Now by the use of the process he invented, more tons of steel are blown in one year than had been made in all the ages previous to this centennial, since the Lord *b'lew* the breath of life into the nostrils of Adam.

One hundred years ago Ralph *Hogge* the inventor of *Pig Metal* had lain in his grave two hundred years, but his *Sows* are still breeding their metallic *pigs* at every blast furnace in the world.

One hundred years ago Crompton invented the *Mule Jenny* for spinning. Now a man that spins a yarn is called an ass.

One hundred years ago Lesage telegraphed from one room to the other in the presence of Fredrick of Prussia. Now the peasant telegraphs to his wife across the ocean.

One hundred years ago Dr. Lardner was not yet born, and he had not eloped with the wife of Captain Heavysides, and of course he had not delivered his great lecture in which he proved that it was utterly impracticable to navigate the ocean by the use of steam. Now every man who elopes goes by steam.

One hundred years ago S. F. B. Morse had not yet made his appearance, but when he did come (1791) he came *pulsating,* and being educated as a *drawing master.* In 1832 he *drew* the electric pulsations from the battery. On the 4th of March, 1843, he *drew* $30,000 out of Congress, and in 1844 he *drew* the attention of the world to the success of the electric telegraph. Now four hundred thousand miles of telegraph wires sound a requiem for his departed soul.

One hundred years ago the tunnel-head of all blast furnaces was open, and the gas escaped. Now by the invention of Mr. Detmold, patented in 1844, the gases are caused to pass from the tunnel-head under the steam boilers and into the hot blast ovens, where they are consumed, and made to take the place of coal.

One hundred years ago we determined to govern ourselves. Now we ask the world to come and see how well we have prospered in it.

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ON SUNDAY evening a destructive wind storm passed through Washington county, Indiana, unroofing as far as heard from, six barns, demolishing seven dwellings, besides numerous outbuildings. The wife and two children of Thomas Nicholson, farmer, received severe injuries by the overturning of his house. Joel Denny lost nearly 1,000 fruit trees. Some of the farmers suffered great loss in live stock. The money value of the property destroyed is said to be very large.

THE Northampton, (Mass.), authorities redoubled the special police force guarding the roads leading into the town, believing that the bulk of the securities stolen from the bank are still concealed there. Search is being made for them, and if it fails, negotiations will be opened with the robbers, they to return the securities and retain the $12,000 cash and be guaranteed immunity from prosecution.

IN the Ohio House of Representatives the bill to require railroad companies to erect depots at all stations of 2,000 inhabitants and upwards, was defeated, sixty to twenty-six.

A FIRE at Rutland, Vt., on Thursday morning, caused a loss of $100,000.

TRUST.

Searching for strawberries ready to eat,
Finding them fragrant and large and sweet,
What do you think I found at my feet,
Deep in the green hill side?
Four brown sparrows, the cunning things,
Feathered on back and breast and wings,
Proud with the dignity plumage brings,
Opening their four mouths wide.

Stooping lower to watch my prize,
Watching their motions with eager eyes,
Dropping my berries with glad surprise,
A plaintive sound I heard:
And looking up at the mournful call,
I spied on a branch, near the old stone wall,
The poor little mother bird.

With grief and terror her heart was wrung,
And while to the slender bough she hung,
She felt that the lives of her birdlings hung
On a still more slender thread.
"Ah, birdie," I said "If you only knew
That my heart was tender and warm and true!"
But the thought that I loved her birdlings too
Never entered her small brown head.

And so through this world of ours we go,
Bearing our burdens of needless woe,
Many a heart beating heavy and slow
Under its load of care;
But oh! if we only, only knew
That God was tender and warm and true,
And that He loved us through and through,
Our hearts would be lighter than air.

THE COURT RECORD.

A Complete Record of the Proceedings in the Courts Yesterday.

United States District Court.

(Before Judge McCandless)

Julius W. Neefe, of McKean county, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Referred to Register Smith.

Nathan Gossett, bankrupt. Order made for a composition meeting of creditors on the 1st prox., at Register Shafer's office.

Simon V. Harris, bankrupt. The Erie Gas Company given leave to withdraw proof of claim, and to reprove the same.

Octavius Abbey, bankrupt, Erie county. C. L. Baker, of Corry, chosen and appointed assignee.

Thomas A. Raymond, bankrupt, Erie county. Wm. L. Palmer, of North East, appointed assignee.

George and John Reisick, bankrupts of this city. Order made for a composition meeting of creditors before Register Harper on the 2d prox.

Fifth avenue Bank of Pittsburgh vs. Samuel Glass. Hearing on the motion to ascertain whether or not the statutory number and value of creditors have petitioned for adjudication, continued until the 18th inst.

Francis Ardary, bankrupt, Pittsburgh, was discharged from bankruptcy.

Hook & Wise, bankrupts. Injunction granted against Henry C. Sawyer.

Thomas Fawcett vs. the steamboat Stella. Hearing on the petition of libellant for better security continued to the 24th inst.

Orphans' Court.

(Before Judge Hawkins.)

Estate of Mary Stangee, deceased. Henry Stangee, administrator, made application for release from custody. The petition was partly heard and continued.

Estate of Priscilla D. Trunick, deceased. Report of Commissioners appointed to make partition presented in open Court and confirmed *nisi.*

Common Pleas Court No. 1.

(Before Judges Stowe and Collier.)

The Aldine Publishing Co., of New York, vs. J. R. Foster & Co.; previously reported. On account of the illness of Mr. Dalzell, one of the attorneys for the plaintiff, the hearing of the case was continued.

Howland et al. vs. John Stuart; previously reported. Jury out.

In the matter of the voluntary assignment of Wm. Oppenheimer to Samuel Baerman. Inventory and appraisement presented and approved. Bonds of Samuel Baerman, Jos. Benedict and Jacob Afelder presented and approved.

The Nation Trust Company for use vs. Jno. C. Davies. Verdict for plaintiffs for $308.31.

Henry Snell vs. Evan Jones. On trial.

The petition of Michael Haurahan for a stay of sale of property of the estate of Patrick Donnelly, deceased, was presented and approved.

R. B. Petty vs. John Meyer and Leonard Brucker. Rule to show cause why judgment of *nolle pros.* should not be stricken off.

Same vs. John Meyer and Gorge Koch. Same action.

Trial List for To-day.

Boal vs. Clemens.
Katz vs. King.
Robinson, for use, vs. Jackson et al.
Devore & Wallace vs. Crusan et al.
Pollock vs. Gallagher et al.
Hutchinson vs. McCullough et al.
Weldon et al. vs. McDermott.
Wroe vs. England.
Rush vs. Ehlers.
Gimber vs. Schafer et al.
Keil et al. vs. McPhillamy.
Seaton vs. Negley & Co.
Lewis vs. Scott.
Carr et al. vs. Doernberger.
Chalfant vs. Huston.

Common Pleas Court No. 2.

(Before Judges White and Kirkpatrick.)

The Central Mutual Building and Loan Association of Allegheny vs. R. M. Gray, Treasurer, and Conrad Dietrich; action on a bond. On trial.

W. H. Garlick and H. D. Seizer; action on a contract. Verdict for plaintiff for $491.62.

Andrew Stein, for use of John Umiser, vs. the township of Lower St. Clair; action for work and labor done. On trial.

James G. Halliday vs. Herman Ross; before reported. Verdict for plaintiff for $100.

Trial List for To-Day.

The Bank of Pittsburgh vs. Milligan, Hershberg & Co.
Kitchen vs. Boyle.
The Pittsburgh Book & News Co. vs. Childs.
Fredericks vs. Loy et al.
Heyl vs. Beyer.
The Pittsburgh Gas Co. vs. The Board of School Directors of the Eighth ward.
Warner, Rhodes & Co. vs. Thompson.
New vs. The Lycoming Fire Insurance Company.
Kuhn vs. Walters & Evans, executors.
Rice vs. Jones.

Court Brevities.

P. R. COTTER, Esq., of Port Allegheny, McKean county, was yesterday admitted to practice in the U. S. Courts on motion of I. H. Baird, Esq.

A HEARING was had yesterday before Judge Stowe in the *habeas corpus* case of Woods vs. Bath. This was an application of the grandfather of Titus Woods to recover possession of the child from its stepfather, the child's mother being deceased. It appearing to the Court that the stepfather Bath was both able to take care of the child and was doing so without any just cause of complaint, it was decided for the present to allow him to retain the custody of it.

AN OBSTINATE PRISONER.

He Remains in Jail for Nearly a Year on a Charge of Contempt.

In the Orphans' Court proceedings for yesterday mention is made of the application of Henry Stangee for discharge from custody. Something over a year ago Stangee deserted his young wife, whom he had treated in a very bad manner, and went to Ohio. During the time he was away the wife died, and Stangee returned and took out letters of administration on the estate, and obtained possession of a large sum of money which had belonged to her. After getting the money he refused to pay the funeral expenses of his wife, and the Orphans' Court being applied to, issued an order to compel him to pay the account. Stangee still refusing, was arrested on the 17th of March, 1875, and committed for contempt. He has been in jail ever since, obstinately refusing to pay the bills and purge himself of the contempt. His application for release yesterday was partly heard and the case continued, but he will not likely be released until he pays the funeral expenses as ordered by the Court. The case is a very singular one in several respects, and perhaps is without precedent.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds Filed for Record.

The following transfers of real estate have been placed on file in the Recorder's office since our last report:

John Hall et ux. to John Kountz, September 30, 1875; one acre in Patton township. Price.....$350
Wm. H. Harrison to James W. McPherson, November 8, 1870; sixteen acres in Sewickley township. Price.....$800
Charles Lockhart et ux., et al, to the Standard Oil Company, of Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875; lot on Nineteenth street, Twenty-first ward, city. Price.....$78,125
Julius J. Livingston and Max Livingston et ux. to Same, April 24 1875; lot on Allegheny river, Eighteenth ward, city.....$34,375
Joseph McGinn to Thomas Knake, January 22, 1876; lot on Front street, East Deer township. Price.....$1,500
Christian M. Seiber et ux. to Wm. J. Hammond, January 31, 1876; four acres in McClure township. Price.....$8,200
Calvin C. Thompson et ux. to R. W. Rea, February 15, 1876; 50 acres 133 perches in East Deer township. Price.....$2,500.
W. G. Warden et ux. to Standard Oil Company, of Pittsburgh, April 15, 1875; ten lots on Walnut street, Thirty-sixth ward, city. Price.....$9,000

THE London papers say General Schenck's resignation has been tendered and accepted. He intends to remain in London to answer any charge that may be brought against him respecting the affairs of the Emma mine.

A TERRIFIC WIND STORM prevailed in Quebec on Thursday, blocking all the railroads. A portion of the Government buildings was carried away, and two houses were blown down.

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A. Bradley, J. L. Graham, A. S. Bell, Wm. K. Nimick, John S. Dilworth, F. Rahm, G. Follansbee, Joshua Rhodes, S. H. Hartman, Robert C. Schmertz, Christopher Zug.
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Ladies' Black and Colored Suits Ladies' New Cloaks and Sacques, Ladies' Cashmere Sacques.
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Ladies' Calico and Chintz Wrappers. Ladies'

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR,

Chemise, Drawers, Nightgowns, White Skirts, &c.
Ladies' Plain and Embroidered White Waists, Ladies' Calico and Chintz Waists, Boys' White and Colored Waists, Infants' Robes and Short Dresses, Infants' Embroidered and Tucked Slips, all styles.
Full new lines of

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All kinds, just opened. Tucking and Linen Lawns.
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NOTICE—THE UNDERSIGNED HAS sold and transferred his shares in the Manchester Savings Bank, Allegheny, on the 15th of February, 1876, to Margaret Neun.

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FEBRUARY 16.

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At 5c, Good Fast Colored Calicos.
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At 8c, Choice Line New Styles Light and Dark Calicos.
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DAILY GAZETTE.

FINANCIAL.

Condition of the Markets at Home and Abroad.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, February 18, 1876.

The banks all report an active demand from their mercantile customers for accommodations to help them over until they can collect from the country. There is no change in the rates of discount, but the opinion of many is, the rates must soon drop. Some of the merchants say that collections have scarcely ever been so unsatisfactory as in the last month. They all regard it, however, as only the temporary effect of bad roads and unfavorable weather for marketing grain. The supply of loanable funds is fair yet, though it has been diminished considerably in the last few days.

Country orders for currency are rather light, but there has already a good deal of currency gone to the grain-raising sections, and if the roads and weather would permit, it is probable that there would be a considerable increase of receipts.

Never has there been a more rapid and sweeping change of front in political affairs than the change in the last few months on the question of specie resumption in 1879. Both Republicans and Democrats now acknowledge that resumption in 1879 is impracticable. Of course the next question is, what shall be done with it? Shall it be repealed, or amended so as to appoint some other day more distant than January 1, 1879. We think, however, that the advocates of this latter course will diminish whenever they come to consider that the appointment of any specific day when the change shall be made from legal tender notes to gold as the money of account, will be only an appointment for a crisis. If we ever reach a specie basis without a panic it must be by some plan that will avoid the appointment of any specific time for the change.

The Philadelphia *Ledger* of yesterday says: The same extreme abundance of money continues the feature of the market, and large amounts of capital are steadily pressing for investment. We quote call loans at 4@5 per cent., strictly first-class two-name paper at 5 per cent., strictly first-class single-name paper at 5@6 per cent., loans on Government collateral at 4@5 per cent., do. do. on first-class bonds and stocks at 5@6 per cent., do. do. on second-class bonds and stocks at 6@7 per cent.

Robinson Brothers, Bankers, No. 78 Fourth avenue, furnish the following quotations of bonds and stocks from the latest advices by telegraph:

Gold	113¾	5-20's 1865—coupons	123¾
U.S. 6's, '81	122½	10-40's	118
" 1864, all called		Currency 6's	127
" 1865	118	New 5 per cents	118½
" 1868	119	10-40's—coupons	121
5-20's 1867	122½		

RAILWAYS.

N. Y. Cen.	115	Ohio & Miss.	22
Erie	17¾	Ft. Wayne	134
L. S.	99	Toledo & Wabash	35¾
C. C. & I. C.	85	Harlem	144¼
Pitts. & Ft. W.	95½	Adams Express	97
Do. Pref.	79¼	American Express	64
Michigan Southern	68¾	U. S. Express	73½
Do. Central	90¾	Pac. Mail	31¾
North Western Com	41	Quicksilver	16¼
Do. Pref.	68	Fort Wayne	102
Rock Island	118¾	Hannibal & St. Jos.	23¼
Cleve. & Pitts	93¾	Panama	191
Pacific Mail	33¾	Iron Mountain	24
Western Union	73¾		

Robinson Brothers furnish the following quotations of active stocks on the Philadelphia Stock Board:

P. R. R. (S)	56	Cen. Trans (B)	48¾
Reading (S)	51	Empire De. (B)	52½
U. Cos. of N. J. (B)	140¾	A. V. R. R. 7-30 (S)	99¾
Oil Creek (B)	14¾	P. C. & St. L. 7's (S)	88¼
Lehigh Valley (A)	63¾		

NEW YORK, February 17, 1876.

Money closed at 3@4; prime mercantile paper is scarce at 4½@6. The customs receipts were $250,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $612,000. The clearings were $51,000,000. Sterling 486@490. Gold declined from 113⅞ to 113½; advanced to 113⅝ and closed at 113¾. The carrying rates were 1 to 4. Specie shipments to Europe aggregate $1,690,000, of which $1,540,000 is gold and the remainder silver. Governments were firm at full prices. Railroad bonds were moderately active. State securities were steady. Stocks were weak and lower in early dealings, but subsequently improved. In the last hour the market was strong, until near the close, when there was a slight decline. The most active stocks to-day were Western Union Telegraph, which, with Pacific Mail, were on the whole weak; Lake Shore, which was strong in the afternoon; St. Paul and Northwest, which were comparatively strong throughout. The transactions aggregated 163,000 shares, of which 15,000 were Pacific Mail, 55,000 Western Union, 11,000 Northwests, 30,000 St. Paul, 11,000 Erie, 33,000 Lake Shore, and 6,000 Ohios.

Governments.—U. S. coupons of 1881, 123¾; 5-20s '65, 118; do new, 119½; do of '67, 122½; do of '68, 123½; new 5s, 118½; 10-40s, 118; do coupons, 121; currency sixes, 126½.

State Bonds. — Tennessee, old, 43; do new, 44½; Virginia new, 36; do old, 38; Missouri 6s, 102½.

Stocks.—Western Union Telegraph, 75½; Pacific Mail, 33½; Adams Express, 109; Wells, Fargo Express, 87½; American Express, 64; United States Express, 74½; New York Central, 115; Erie, 17½; do preferred, 30; Harlem, 144; do preferred, 134; Michigan Central, 90½; Lake Shore, 64; Illinois Central, 99½; Pittsburgh, 93½; Northwestern common, 44; do preferred, 66; New Jersey Central, 108½; Rock Island, 119½; St. Paul, 45½; do preferred, 79½; Toledo & Wabash, 105½; do preferred, 109½; Fort Wayne, 101½; Terre Haute, 5½; do preferred 22; Chicago & Alton, 101; do preferred, 106; Ohio & Mississippi, 21½; Indiana Central, 105½; Burlington & Quincy, 120; Hannibal & St. Joseph, 19½; Delaware & Lackawanna, 130½; Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph, 19; Central Pacific, 108½; Union, 105½; Union grant, 102½; Mariposa, 8½; do preferred, 8½; Panama, 31; Missouri Pacifics, 12½.

LONDON, February 17.—5 P. M. The bullion in the Bank of England increased £370,000 the past week. The proportion of reserve to liability is 42¾ per cent. Consols: money, 94 1-16; account, 94½; 5-20s of '65, 105½; do '67, 110⅝; 10-40s, 106½; new 5s, 106½; New York Central, 104; Erie, 15½; do preferred, 31.

PARIS, February 17.—Rentes, 67f 62½c. The specie in the Bank of France increased 18,479,000 francs the past week.

FRANKFORT, February 17.—U. S. new 5s, 101¾.

COMMERCIAL.

Latest Advices Concerning Money and Stock Matters.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, February 17, 1876.

The cold freezing weather has imparted a better tone to the general market, and if it only holds out longer will no doubt cause an improvement in business. The soft weather and bad condition of the country roads recently have had more to do with the depression in business than people generally are aware of, and in addition trade is usually dull at this season of the year.

APPLES—There is a very fair demand and with none coming forward and the supply steadily being reduced, prices are tending upward. We now quote at $2.50@4 ₱ bbl for fair to prime and $4.50 for choice.

BUTTER—The supply of strictly prime table stock is light, scarcely equal to the demand and prices are firmer and higher in consequence; we now quote at 28@30c for prime to choice rolls. Low grade butter is in good supply and dull. A New York paper of Wednesday reports that market as follows: Prime western about holds its own, with a fair inquiry, but medium and common drag. Rolls were so plenty a week or two ago that holders packed some of them over into solid tubs, causing an excess of the latter, while the former are rather scarce and wanted at trifling better rates, out-of-town orders calling for them. Among rambling sales of butter we pick out as an index a medium Cortland county dairy, nearly evenly divided between half-tubs and firkins at 30c; a good Broome county Welsh dairy at 33c; a lot of good Cortland county firkin at 32c; a fair line of Welsh tubs at 30c; a lot of inferior firkins at 26c; 48 fair half-tubs at 32c; 16 selected do, 37c; 49 Northern Missouri winter packed Welsh, 17c; a lot of good solidly packed Wisconsin, 115 tubs fine Ohio, 24c; 71 fresh tubs Illinois and Iowa prime, 26c; 34 do Ohio and Minnesota, 26c; 4 bbls and 8 half bbls Kansas rolls, 18c; 12 half bbls do good, 20c; 34 bbls and 30 half bbls do, 19c; 19 kegs fine western rolls, 22c.

BROOMS—Quotations for "Union factory" remain the same, as follows:

No 2 common Brooms	$2.00
No 3 Hurl	2.25
No 4 Hurl	3.00
No 5 Hurl	3.25
No 6 Hurl	3.50
No 3 carpet	3.75
No 4 carpet	4.00
Fancy Parlor	4.25
Stock Braid (5S)	2.00
Stock Braid (4S)	2.75
Whisps, 4, 5 and 10 inch	1.25@1.75 per dozen
Toy Brooms	1.00@1.50

CHEESE—There is a steady local demand, but no change to note in prices; quoted at 13¼@14c for prime.

Ohio Factory; do, New York, 14@14½c. The New York *Tribune* of Wednesday says: Larger receipts, lighter shipments and more advanced cable quotations, with a stronger ruling for really fancy goods, are the main features of the cheese market. We cannot report a very active market, especially for the great bulk of medium to good cheese. Most sales of fine cheese are at 13¾@13¾c, though 14c was refused for a long line of fancy light colored cheese, and one lot of 600 was sold at 14c, with 1,800 fine September at 13¾c. Still the great bulk of the stock, which must be borne in mind is large, is selling at 13¼@13¾c. While we make up ¼c on really fancy, we do not want to be considered as calling the market much better.

CANNED GOODS—The demand continues light, unusually so, notwithstanding prices are low, but an increased consumption within the next few weeks is hoped for and expected. Following are the prevailing jobbing rates:

2 lb Blackberries	$2 50	2 lb Bartlett Pears	$3 00
2 lb Blueberries	2 00	2 lb Common Pears	2 00
2 lb White Cherries	2 75	2 lb Pine Apple	2 00
2 lb Red Cherries	2 00	2 lb Quinces	2 00
2 lb Gooseberries	1 50	2 lb Raspberries	2 75
2 lb Green Gages	3 00	2 lb Strawberries	2 00
2 lb Egg Plums	2 00	2 lb Lima Beans	2 00
2 lb Damson Plums	2 50	2 lb String Beans	1 50
2 lb Peaches	1 75	2 lb Winslow's Corn	2 25
3 lb Peaches	2 25	2 lb Peas	2 25
3 lb pie Peaches	1 40	2 lb Tomatoes	1 65

CRANBERRIES—$11@12 ₱ bbl.

DRESSED HOGS—8½@9c.

DRIED FRUIT—Some more activity is noticeable. Apples, 9c for southern, 10c for Ohio and 11c for fine York State. Halves Peaches steady at 17@17½c, with only a moderate inquiry, as it is early yet for the demand for actual use.

EGGS—The market continues to stiffen, in consequence of the cold weather, which has checked the receipts and prices are higher; we advance our quotations to 17@18c.

FLOUR—There is a very fair local demand for good brands, but low grades or unsound flours are hard to dispose of at any price. We quote: Spring Wheat Extras at 4½@5 ₱ bbl, and market extremely dull. New York reports, of same date, are of a similar character. Sugars also dull and weak but unchanged. The fact is, almost everything in the grocery line appears to be shrinking in value.

RICE.

Carolina	7 @7¼	Louisiana	7¾@8½

SYRUPS.

Choice	60 @63	Fair	40 @45
Prime	50 @55	Dark	38 @40

MOLASSES.

N.O. choice	60	N.O., strictly prime	58
Fair	55	Demarara	50@55

SUGARS.

Cut Loaf	11¼	Standard B	9¾
Crushed	11	Standard Ex C	9¼
Refined Powdered	11¼	Refined Coffee	9⅛
Powdered	11¼	N. O. new crop	8 @ 9
Standard A	10		

COFFEES.

Fancy Rio	23½	R. Rio, lb pkgs	27
Prime Rio	22@23	R. Rio, loose	26½
Good Rio	20½@21½	Roasted Java	34
Old Gov. Java	34		

TEAS.

Young Hyson	45 @1 00	Japan	40 @ 85
Gunpowder	60 @1 10	Oolong	35 @ 85
Imperial	80 @ 90	Souchong	35 @ 75

SOAPS.

Best Wax	7¼	Babbitt's Best, per box	7 25
Superior Wax	6¾	White Russian, per box	6 00
Woman's Friend	5½		
Duchess, per box	3 50		

FRUITS.

Val. Raisins, per lb	11¾	Turkish Prunes	6 @ 7
L. Raisins, per box	3 25	French Prunes	9 @10
Currents, per lb	8		

GRAIN—The general position of the grain markets has not varied much for several weeks: the receipts continue light and stocks are considerably reduced, but the demand is also light, being confined to supplying immediate wants. We continue to quote prime to choice red at $1,30@1,35, with but little offering and not much inquiry for any other kind. The Oat market continues quiet and unhanged; 40@41c for mixed and 42@43c for white. Shelled Corn continues dull at 50@52c free in elevator for high mixed to prime yellow; the same figure will answer for Ear, but the supply of the latter is not near as large as that of the former, and there is rather more inquiry for it. Rye unchanged at 83@85c.

HAY—Baled continues dull with the supply accumulating; upland prairie, $10@13, timothy, $16@18, according to quality and condition.

MILL FEED—The receipts have been comparatively light for some days past, but the supply is still fully equal to the demand, which is also light. Bran quoted at $15 ₱ ton; Seconds and Shipstuffs, $16@18; Middlings and Chopped Feed, $20@23, as to quality.

POTATOES—The market continues dull, with more offering than there is a demand for, and prices are weak and unchanged. Quotable at 30@35c ₱ bushel on track, and 5 to 7c additional in a jobbing way from store.

PROVISIONS—The market continues strong, and as will be seen we have advanced our quotations 50c ₱ bbl on mess pork, and the indications just now are that we will have to advance the entire list within next day or two.

Hams—Extra S. C. per lb	14½	Do. half barrels	14
Shoulders, Ex. S. C.	10½	Lard, Ref. for summer use, in tierces	—
Flat Jowls, S. C.	14½	Do. in 3 bbls	—
Brief Beef, Ex. Sugar Cured, old	15	Do. in buckets	—
Do. do. new	15	Do. 3 lb caddies	16½
Beef Tongues, S. C. per doz.	6.50	Do. 5 lb do	16½
Bacon Shoulders	9¾	Do. 3 lb pails	16½
Rib Sides	—	Do. 5 lb do	16½
Clear Sides	13½	Do. 6 lb do	16½
Mess Pork, per bbl.	$22.50	Ham Sausage	9
Family Mess	Pork. 22.50	Bologna do	9
Short Cut	22.50	Cheese	—
Lard, Prime Leaf in tierces, per lb	13½	Do. do, bbls	8.50

POULTRY—Dressed Chickens, 12@13c ₱ lb; live do., 45@50c ₱ pair; dressed Turkeys, 14@15c.

RAGS—Steady at 3c ₱ lb for good country mixed.

SEEDS—Clover Seed is scarce and held firmly at $9 @9.25 ₱ bu. Timothy in good supply at $2.65@2.85 ₱ bushel.

TALLOW—Steady at 5@5½c for country—city rendered, 9@9½c.

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, February 17, 1876.

ARRIVALS.

Following shows the arrivals of each day during the week, as well as the aggregate, and the aggregate of the preceding week:

	Cattle. Through.	Cattle. Local.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Friday	128 cars.	5 cars.	12 cars.	5 cars.
Saturday	— "	3 "	11 "	1 "
Sunday	57 "	21 "	18 "	9 "
Monday	7 "	18 "	8 "	2 "
Tuesday	7 "	28 "	12 "	10 "
Wednesday	— "	47 "	26 "	15 "
Thursday	10 "	19 "	13 "	10 "
Total	172 "	176 "	91 "	61 "
Last week	123 "	162 "	112 "	98 "

CATTLE.

Receipts during the 24 hours ending at noon to-day, 28 cars, of which 10 cars were through consignments, and 18 cars local or yard cattle, making for the week 172 cars of through and 176 cars of yard cattle, against 123 cars of former and 162 cars of the latter last week; sales 2,763 head; last week, 2,290 do. There were 68 cars bought for shipment to Philadelphia and 25 cars to New York, 15 cars to country dealers and 22 cars to local butchers; preceding week, Philadelphia buyers bought 75 cars, New York, 18 cars; country or transient dealers, 18 cars; local butchers, 10 cars.

As will be seen, the volume of business in the aggregate was somewhat greater than for the preceding week, and salesmen very generally reported the market better; prices were quoted from an ¼ to a ½ higher. The quality was mostly common, the great proportion of the offerings consisting of the common and medium grades; so far as we could learn, there was not a single drove of prime cattle on sale all week. New York bought more freely than usual, and but for this the market would have been no better, as the Philadelphia buyers complained of having had a very poor market, and, in addition, it appears that the new Philadelphia yards are causing a good deal of dissatisfaction, and it is alleged that they are not large enough, and that the rates charged for feed and yardage are excessive. But for the light run, more favorable weather and increased demand for shipment to New York, there is reason to believe that the market this week would have been worse than last.

QUOTATIONS.

Prime 1,400@1,500 steers	6.25@6.50
Good 1,200@1,300 steers	5.90@6.00
Good 1,000@1,100 steers	5.40@5.75
Oxen, Bulls and Stags	3.00@4.50
Veal Calves	6.00@6.50

HOGS.

The arrivals continue light, which, in connection with the more favorable weather and stimulating character of the advices from the West, our main source of supply, has stiffened up the market considerably and prices are higher now than they have been any time this winter. It was very generally expected in January that hogs would be lower this month, but, as already intimated, these expectations have not been realized; instead of a decline there has been a sharp advance and the prodncts are sympathizing. There was a great many who did not take much stock in the short crop cry, ourselves among the number, but the recent course of the market has demonstrated pretty conclusively that those who advocated this view of the situation were on the right side of the question. The best evidence that the crop of hogs was light is that the extreme prices would have brought them forward if they had been in the country. The number packed thus far is considerably short of the corresponding time last year, although it is true the increased weight will make up some of the deficiency.

QUOTATIONS.

Philadelphia Hogs	5.85@5.10
York Hogs	5.75@5.00
Roughs	4.00@4.50

SHEEP.

The run, as will be seen, has been considerably short of that of last week, and a sharp advance in prices resulted therefrom; the average advance was about 50c ₱ cwt, although in some instances an improvement of ¾ to ⅞c was realized. The receipts last night and this morning were large, much more so than usual, or expected at this time in the week, and the market today was easier in consequence; most of the buyers bought all they wanted yesterday, and possibly a slight concession could have been obtained to-day, but there appeared to be little or no demand. Shippers generally took hold sparingly, in consequence of the advanced prices.

QUOTATIONS.

Extra 110@130 lbs	6.50@7.25
Prime 90@100 lbs	6.00@6.25
Good 80@85 lbs	5.50@5.75
Fair 70@75 lbs	5.00@5.25
Common 70@75 lbs	4.00@4.50
Indianas, according to quality	4.00@6.50

Receipts of Blooms, Ore, Pig Metal and Scrap Iron.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R. R.

Byers McC & Co	2
PITTSBURGH, FT. WAYNE AND CHICAGO R. R.	
Nimick & Co	5
Fleming Bros, Wks m	1
Byers McC & Co	6
Lewis G & F m	4
Isabella F'o	18
Graff, B. & Co	2
Total	53
CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH R. R.	
Shoenberger & Co	18
Hussey, W. & Co	1
Shoenberger & Co	1
Total	42

IMPORTS BY RIVER.

ST. LOUIS PER JOHN L. RHOADS.—180 sks middlings, W. W. Hunter; 20 do, McRane & A; 87 do, W. H. Nantker & Son; 200 do 8 stuff, H. Schneebach; 150 do, 264 sks shorts, L. Hippley; 200 do bran, R. Knox & Son; 182 do 8 stuff, 50 do shorts, shipper's order; 53 bbls clay, T. Coffin & Co; 70 cm a bbls, Spencer, McK & Co; 46 bales b corn, 10 bales cotton, R. Dickey & Co; 748 slabs steel, 82 pcs do, Anderson & W; 1 case bitters, Hostetter & S; 1 shot gun, J Bown & Son.

PITTSBURGH DRUG MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, Feb. 17, 1876.

Corrected by HARRIS & EWING, Wholesale Druggists, corner Liberty and Tenth streets.

Acac., sorts	20@ 30 lb	Oil, Anise	$2.60@2.70 lb
2d select	35@ 40 lb	Bergam	5.00@5.50 lb
1st select	40@ 50 lb	Cassia	2.00@2.20 lb
Acid. Citric	1.05@1.12 lb	Castor	16@19 lb
Oxalic	17@ 20 lb	Lemon	4.25@4.50 lb
Tartaric	54@ 59 lb	Linseed R	65@65 gal
Alcohol	2.10@2.85 gal	Linseed B	65@70 gal
Aloes, cape	15@ 20 lb	Neatsfoot	90@1.35 gal
A Barb	40@ 50 lb	Olive	1.25@2.00 do
Socot		Qts	6.25@6.50 do
Alum	3½@ 4½ lb	Pts	3.25@3.50 do
Ammo., Aq.	8@ 12 lb	Orange	3.50@4.00 lb
Carb	20@ 22 lb	Origanum	70@1.20 lb
Arnica, Flor	30@ 32 lb	Pennyroyal	2.25 lb
Asafœtida	25@ 30 lb	Peppermt	5.00@5.50 lb
Bals. Copaib	90@ 95 lb	Sassafras	85@90 lb
Canada	45@ 50 lb	Wintergn	4.00@4.25 lb
Bay Rum	2.75@4.00 gal	Pot, BiCarb	35 lb
Bis. Sub car	2.75@3.00 lb	Bi Chrom	21@22 lb
Sub ute	2.10@2.25 lb	Bromide	75@ 85 lb
Blue Mass	70 lb	Chlorate	32@ 40 lb
Vitriol	11@12	Iodid	2.75@3.00 lb
Borax, ref'd	14@ 17 lb	Quinine	2.30@2.40 oz
Brim., Roll	4@ 5½ lb	Rhubarb	1.00@1.50 lb
Flor. sulp.	3@ 6 lb	Root, Gent.	8@12 lb
Buchu	16@ 20 lb	Gin. E. I.	18 lb
Canad. Am	1.25 lb	Gin. Jam.	28@30 lb
Camphor ref	30@ 34 lb	Ipecac P.	1.88 lb
Camwood	5@ 9 lb	Jalap P.	85 lb
Chamo. flor	30 lb	Rhubarb	1.00@1.50 lb
Rom	26 lb	" Pow	1.00@1.50 lb
Chloral Hyd	2.50 lb	Sar. Hond	58 lb
Chlorofor	1.00@1.15 lb	Sar. Mex.	28 lb
Cincho. Pale	70@ 80 lb	Senega	1.20 lb
Red	1.20@1.30 lb	Spigelia	38 lb
Yellow	20@ 40 lb	Val. Eng.	45 lb
Cochineal	70@ 85 lb	Ger.	22 lb
Copperas	2@ 3 lb	Saffron Am.	60@1.00 lb
Cream Tar.	46@ 48 lb	Sal Ammon	16@ 18 lb
Cubebs	15@ 20 lb	Epsom	3@ 5 lb
Dovers Po'd	1.80@1.60 lb	Glauber	2¾@ 4 lb
Ergot	1.50 lb	Rochelle	38 lb
Ether, Nit.	45@ 48 lb	Soda	2@ 3½ lb
Sul.	70@ 75 lb	Seed, Can'y	17@ 18 lb
Ex. Log'w'd	13½@14 lb	Cardam	2.50 lb
Liqu, Cal.	38@ 45 lb	Hemp	7½@ 8 lb
Ital	25@ 30 lb	Mustard	8@ 10 lb
Fustic	3@ 4 lb	Senna, Alex	22@ 25 lb
Glycer. Pure	20@ 30 lb	E. I	17@ 25 lb
Bowers'	65 lb	Tinnev	28 lb
Indigo, Man	1.00@1.20 lb	Shellac	42@ 70 lb
S. F.	1.10@1.25 lb	Soap, Castile	11@ 14 lb
Iodine	4.00@4.25 lb	White	10@ 21 lb
Iodoform	85 oz	White	14@ 21 lb
Juniper Ber	7@ 9 lb	Strych. Cry.	2.80@3.00 oz
Logwood	2½@ 3½ lb	Pulv	2.30@2.75 oz
Madder	12@ 17 lb	Sugar Lead	24@ 28 oz
Magnes, Cal	80@1.00 lb	Turpen. spts	45@ 50 gal
Carb	80@ 35 lb	Var. Copal	1.85@1.90 gal
Manna, Fla	80 lb	Copal	1.25@2.00 gal
Morph. Sul.	4.40@4.60 oz	Damar	1.50@1.80 gal
Nit. Silver	89 oz	Japan	80@1.00 gal
Opium	6.60@6.80 lb	Venet. Red	2½@ 3 lb
Pow	8.25@9.40 lb	Whiting	¾@ 2½ lb

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, February 17, 1876.

The market for Crude was quiet to-day, without any quotable change in prices: United, Conduit and Union quoted this P. M. at $1,06¾; Grant and Karns, $1,08; immediate shipment, $1,06. Refined continues exceedingly dull; prices weak and nominal, Philadelphia and Baltimore delivery, 13¾; on cars here, 10½ best bid.

It was reported yesterday that intelligence had been received from President Scott of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., and that he declines to accede to what the committee of refiners who went to Philadelphia to see him, asked for.

Barrels dull and nominally unchanged; countries $1,05; city make $1,15.

SHIPMENTS CRUDE OIL VIA. A. V. R.R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
J. Bushnell	Model o w	567

SHIPMENTS OF REFINED OIL EAST PER ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
Standard Oil Co	Warden F. & Co	1,206
Citizens o w	Do.	271
Lockhart & Frew	Do.	939
Total		2,416

FEBRUARY 15.

REFINED OIL EAST VIA ALLEGHENY R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
Livingston Bros	Warden F. & Co	100
Lockhart & Frew	Warden F. & Co	304
W. P. Logan & Co	J. S. Davis	152
Total		556

FEBRUARY 16.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
W P Logan & Co	S. Davis	150
Lockhart & Frew	Warden F & Co	136
Standard Oil Co	Warden F & Co	82
J S Stockdale	J B Tilford	50
Total		506

New York Wool Market.

The position of this market has undergone a change during the past week, and at the close the feeling on the part of holders is not a little weak, and a disposition to keep supplies down to their lowest level is plainly apparent. The facts are these: Manufacturers who were led to purchase early, to the hopes of an advantageous opening in the dry goods market, now find that their fabrics will hardly sell at a profit, and in many instances a loss is sustained; then, again, the agitation of the tariff question is unfavorable, as many are constrained to believe the duty on foreign wools will undergo a reduction, thus causing a depreciation in the value of domestic descriptions; added to all this are the recent heavy failures, which have caused a close scrutiny in the matter of credits. The business going on is of the moderate order, the only feature of interest being the late sale of 500,000 ℔s Ohio fleece at 46c. We append quotations:

Washed Fleece—XXX and Picklock, 48@50c; XX and X, 46@48c; Nos. 1 and 2, 38@45c; Combing, 50@62c; Tub-washed, 45@55c.

California Unwashed—Spring clip, 29@33c; Fall clip, 14@25c.

Pulled Wool—Domestic, extra, 40@47c; Super 38@40c; No. 1, 33@37c; No. 2 12@15c; Lambs, 22@25c; Western, 30@40c; Southern, 28@35c; California, 28@40c.

Oregon, Western and Southern States—Unwashed clothing, average quality, 30@35c; Unwashed Combing do, 40@45c.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, February 17, 1876.

FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged.

GRAIN—Wheat quiet; No. 1 Chicago spring $1,01¾ spot; $1,01¾ seller February; 93¾c seller March; 99c seller April; No. 3 81@81½c; rejected 78¾c. Corn easy; No. 2 41¾@41¾c spot; 41¾c bid seller March; 42¾c bid seller April. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 31¾c spot; 32c seller March. Barley lower at 85¾@91c spot; 87½c seller February; 92c seller March. Rye quiet at 67½@68c.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull and nominal at $21,50 spot; $21,30@21,32½ seller March; $21,87½@21,60 seller April; $21,87½ seller May. Lard quiet and steady; $12,75 bid spot; $12,82½@12,85 seller March; $12,97½@13 seller April. Bulk meats steady and in moderate demand at 9¾, 11¼@12c.

WHISKY—Quiet and steady at $1,06.

On Call Board wheat was ¼c higher. Corn ¾c higher. Oats nominal. Pork active and higher at $21,35 cash; $21,70 bid April; $21,87½ May. Lard 5c higher.

New York.

NEW YORK, February 17.—Flour dull; receipts 12,000 bbls; superfine western and State $4,35@4,65; common to good $5,00@5,50; good to choice $5,55@6,00; white wheat $6,10@7,75; extra Ohio $5,00@7,25; St. Louis $5,30@9,00. Rye flour steady at $4,10@5,75. Corn meal more quiet at $3,90@4,25. Wheat: receipts 17,000 bush; little interest; No. 3 spring grade $1; No. 2 Chicago spring $1,21@1,24; No. 3 nominally $1,09@1,14; No. 1 Minnesota $1,32½@1,34. Rye quiet at 85@86c. Barley quiet. Barley malt dull. Corn quiet and firmer; receipts 22,000 bush; mixed no grade 58@59c; western mixed new ungraded 62@63c. Oats dull and a shade easier; receipts 20,000 bush; western mixed and State 46@49c; white 49@52c. Hay and Hops unchanged. Coffee quiet at 14¾@15¾c. Sugar quiet; fair to good refining 7½@8c; prime 7⅝@8c. Molasses quiet at 48@52c. Rice quiet. Petroleum quiet and heavy; crude 7¾@7¾c; refined 13½@13¾c; naphtha 13½@13¾c. Tallow firm at 9¼@9 9-16c. Rosin firmer at $1,60@1,65. Turpentine firmer at 36½c. Eggs firmer; State and Pennsylvania 18@19½c. Pork firmer at $22,75. Beef quiet. Cut meats quiet; middles firm; western long clear 12c; city 12¼c. Butter: choice steady; others heavy; western 18@25c; State 29@34c. Cheese unchanged. Whisky firm at $1,11.

Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, February 17.—Flour quiet, steady and unchanged. Corn active; western white 46@46½c; Md. dull, mixed 46@46½c; mixed 44@45c. Rye firmer and quiet at 78@80c. Hay well; Maryland and Pennsylvania $18@24. Provisions strong and buoyant. Pork $22. Bulk meats: shoulders 9¾c; clear rib 11¾c loose. Bacon: shoulders 10c; clear rib 13c. Hams 15¼@16c. Lard unchanged. Butter active and firm; western extra 26@28c; firsts 23@25c. Petroleum dull; crude 7¾@8c; refined 14@14½c. Coffee dull: Rio cargoes 14¼@18c; jobbing 15½@19c. Whisky dull at $1,11.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, February 17.—Cotton dull; 12¾c. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat steady at $1,23@1,25. Corn steady at 40@41c. Oats steady at 36@37c. Barley quiet; No 2 spring $1,06@1,08. Rye firm and unchanged. Pork dull at $22,00@22,12½. Lard quiet; steam sold at 12¾c; closed at 13c bid; kettle 13¼c. Bulk meats firm; shoulders 9¾@9¾c; clear rib 11¾@11¾c; clear 11¾@11¾c. Bacon: demand fair and market firm at 9¾, 12½@12¾c. Whisky quiet and firm at $1,09.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, February 17. — Petroleum easier; refined 13¾c; crude 12c. Flour quiet; superfine $4,50; extra $4,90@4,75. Wheat steady; Pennsylvania red $1,29@1,40; amber $1,40@1,42. Rye 83@83½c. Corn less active; yellow 54@55c; sail 60c; white 61c. Oats slow; white 45@46c. Whisky firm at $1,11. Butter firm; fine Yorks and Chadsford extra 32@37c; do firsts 28@32c; western extra 27@29c; do firsts 25@26c. Cheese firm; New York 12¾@14c. Eggs firmer; Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware fresh 17@18c.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, February 17.—Flour: demand fair and market firm. Wheat quiet and steady; No. 2 white Michigan $1,28½; No. 2 white Wabash to arrive $1,40; extra white Michigan $1,40; amber Michigan $1,28; seller March $1,26; seller April $1,18; amber No. 2 $1,05. Corn quiet and steady at 40c; seller May 50c; no grade 41c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 36c; seller April 38c.

Boston.

BOSTON, February 17.—Flour quiet; western super $4@4,50; common extra $5@5,25; white wheat Ohio, Indiana and Michigan $5@7; Illinois $6,05@8,25; St. Louis $6,80@9; fancy Minnesota $7,00@9,00. Corn firm; mixed and yellow 60@65c. Oats quiet; mixed and No. 2 white 46@51c; rejected 43c; No. 1 white 56@57c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, February 17.—Cotton dull at 12¾c. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat quiet at $1,10@1,25. Corn dull at 45c. Oats dull at 38@40c. Rye quiet at 80c. Provisions strong. Pork unchanged, bulk meats 8¾, 9¾, 11¾@12c. Bacon 9½, 12¾@13c. Sugar cured hams 14@14½c. Lard 14¾@15c. Whisky firm at $1,06.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, February 17.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat opened steady and about ½c lower; closed steady; No. 1 Milwaukee $1,08¾; hard $1,15½; No. 2 $1,09¾; No. 3 89½. Corn nominally firmer; No. 2 mixed 42c. Oats firmer; No. 2 32c. Barley quiet; No. 2 spring closed at 83c; No. 3 48c.

HOME NEWS.

The probabilities for to-day are a falling barometer, southwest to southeast winds, and warmer, partly cloudy weather.

Will not Reduce the Bill.

The sub-committee of the Gas Committee of Allegheny Councils appointed to confer with the gas company and endeavor to obtain a reduction of the last quarterly bill for gas, met yesterday afternoon and visited the office of the gas company. The company declined to reduce the bill claiming that it was perfectly correct. The increased consumption was caused by increased pressure in some portions of the city and also the erection of a number of additional gas lamps.

Relief for the Allegheny Poor.

Two hundred loaves of bread and one hundred and twenty gallons of soup will be distributed to the poor of Allegheny, from the Friendship Engine House, corner of Jackson and Arch streets, this afternoon at 3 o'clock by the fire company. The provisions, &c., given away heretofore by the company have been mostly donated by the residents of the Second ward, and the firemen now propose to open a fair in Wilson's Hall, in the Diamond, on to-morrow evening, and continue it for some days, the proceeds to be devoted to purchasing provisions for the Saturday afternoon distributions.

Court Brevities.

THE Attorney General has granted the suggestion for a writ of *quo warranto* on Treasurer Kilgore, to show by what authority he holds the office. The case will be heard at an early day.

IN the Common Pleas Court No. 2 yesterday, W. D. Porter, Esq., on behalf of John Eichley, made application for a rule to set aside an execution. The affidavit states that on the 27th of June, 1874, Mr. Eichley gave to Mr. John Noble a judgment note for $1,100 payable one year after date. At the expiration of the time the parties made another agreement, Mr. Eichley paying Mr. Noble $100 in cash. Yesterday Mr. Wilson, executor of the estate obtained possession of the note, immediately took out an execution and levied on Eichley's property. A rule on the executor was granted, and a temporary injunction, staying proceedings until the rule is heard.

Collier Township.

At the election on Tuesday in the new township, (Collier) which consists of part of Robinson, North Fayette and South Fayette townships, the following gentlemen were duly elected to fill the township offices: Justice of the Peace—Isaac Walker and J. W. Nesbit. Judge of Election—Joseph McConnell. Inspectors—Wm. McLaren and James McGrogan. Assessor—Levi Gregg. Assistant Assessors—James E. Walker and J. W. Nesbit. School Directors—John M. Neely, three years; Jos. McKown, three years; George B. Forsyth, two years; Wm. McKain, two years; R. W. Nesbit, one year; Isaac Walker one year. Supervisors—John Wilkinson and Wm. Burden. Auditors—Thomas Hoover, Joseph Hodson, James A. Ewing. Township Clerk—James A. Ewing. Constable—C. B. Forsyth.

THE OFFICIAL COUNT.

Counting the Returns from the Two Cities—A Hitch About the School Directors—The Judge Decides that He Cannot Tell Who Are Elected.

Yesterday, at noon, Judges Sterrett and Ewing commenced counting the returns of the election in the two cities. The count was made in the Criminal Court room, the clerks being James Herriott, J. C. Gilmore, George Woods, Thomas B. Hamilton, W. S. Jackson, Uzziah Stuart and John A. Sargeant. The Judges count the votes of Pittsburgh and Allegheny alone, the returns of the boroughs and townships being filed in the office of the Clerk of Courts and certificates of election issued therefrom. The count will hardly be concluded before this evening.

About two o'clock, the question being raised, Judge Sterrett decided that it would be impossible to say who were elected as School Directors, the Court not knowing how many vacancies were to be filled in each District. The clerks were therefore ordered to simply record the vote for each candidate. The decision as to who is entitled to fat certificate of election will have to be made when the certificates are applied for, or in some other way not mentioned by His Honor.

THE INSURANCE QUESTION.

A New Plan—All the Attractions of a Savings' Bank Deposit and Life Insurance Combined.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Pittsburgh Opera House.

"The Men of '76," an American Centennial play abounding in exciting situations and beautiful tableaux, will be produced again to-night. It is worth seeing.

Effie Elisler.

On Monday evening next Miss Effie Elisler, very deservedly a great favorite in this city, commences a weeks engagement at the Opera House. She is an exquisite actress, and no matter what phase of dramatic representation she undertakes, she never fails. "Pauvrette" is the play for the opening night, in which Miss Elisler will be supported by Mark. J. Pendleton. "As You Like It" will be produced on Wednesday night, with Miss Elisler as *Rosalind*, a character in which it is said she has no superior in this country.

Library Hall.

The final performance of the Troubadours will be given at Library Hall this evening. A full house is assured, because about every seat is sold.

Arabella Goddard.

The sale of seats for Arabella Goddard's concert at Library Hall on Monday evening next commences this morning at the music store of H. Kleber & Bro., on Wood street.

Tableaux Vivant.

On Tuesday evening next a series of tableaux vivant will be the attraction at Library Hall. They are for the benefit of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Seats can be bought at Hale's, if any are left.

The Lady of Lyons.

The exquisite comedy of "The Lady of Lyons," which is always new and never dull, will be performed at Library Hall on Wednesday evening next by the Bulwer Club, a new amateur organization of this city which embraces a considerable array of talent.

Academy of Music.

On Friday evening of next week a vocal and instrumental concert will be given at the Academy of Music for the benefit of the Newsboy's Home.

Trimble's Varieties.

Andy and Annie Hughes, delightful vocalists and specialists, together with the Bennett Sisters, Tierney and Cronin, Agnes Sutherland and many other excellent artistes continue the attractions at Trimble's this evening.

Brougham's Burlesque of Pocahontas

A number of well known citizens are making preparations for presenting at Library Hall at an early day Brougham's burlesque of Pocahontas. Captain Smith will be represented by a gentleman who has earned a high military title, and the character of Pocahontas will be taken by a young lady whose triumphs in social circles equal, if not surpass, those of the military gentleman on the gory battlefield. The proceeds of the performance are to be devoted to a charitable purpose.

Marion Harland in her new cook book "Breakfast, Luncheon and Tea," recommends the use of Prepared or Self Raising Flour in preference to Cream of Tartar and Soda or Expensive Baking Powder.

Stocks at Auction.

This, Friday evening, February 1st, at 7½ o'clock, at Thos. F. Stewart's sales rooms, corner of Fifth avenue and Wood street.

12 shares Peoples National Bank.
60 " M. & M. Insurance Company.
45 " Odd Fellows Savings Bank.
30 " Arsenal Bank.
5 " Sharpsburg & Etna Savings Bank.
25 " Enterprise Savings Bank.
10 " Union Insurance Company.

THOS. F. STEWART, Auctioneer.

THE REFUGE SANITARILY.

The Second Phase of the Reform School Investigation.

Dr. W. H. Daly, the Physician in Charge, Describes the Sanitary Condition of the Institution—What Other Physicians Believe to be the Cause of the Fever Epidemic—The Investigation Closes with the Testimony of Several Managers.

The second branch of the legislative investigation of the affairs of the Reform School was begun by the committee, at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, in the office of the Board of Managers, on Fourth avenue. In the absence of Mr. Plummer, who was unavoidably detained in Harrisburg, Mr. R. Thornton presided. The other members of the committee were at present. At times durin the investigation the small office of the Board was crowded. Among the spectators was Mr. Swartzwelder, who did not remain in attendance long.

The first witness sworn was Dr. W. H. Daly. His examination was conducted by Mr. Gill, at the request of the committee. The doctor testified: I have been physician to the inmates of the Reform School since April 3, 1865—about seven years; the general condition of the health of the inmates—with a few exceptions—has been very good; the last exception was the epidemic which occurred about one year ago; there were annual outbreaks of a smaller magnitude; some occurred before my connection with the institution; the mortality has generally been very light; didn't exceed five per cent. of the number attacked; on May 1st, 1869, soon after I began my visits to the institution, I notice, by my diary, a serious disease of the eye occurred. [The Doctor here read from his journal a description of the disease and his method of treatment.] Scarcely knew of any special cause for this disease, but it is often brought upon persons who are closely associated; attributed the outbreak to a lack of certain

ARTICLES OF SUCCULENT FOOD,

which are hard to get at this time of the year; recommended the procuring of the necessary food, which was obtained, and resulted in a short time of great benefit: the disease is very contagious; it was among the children alone; there was no serious outbreak until the measles entered the house; it didn't last long and was not serious; there were no deaths from it, and no bad results in any way; there were from seventy to eighty attacked at this time, had some few attacks of typhoid fever in the fall and winter of every year; in June, 1870, had an outbreak of relapsing fever; on June 17 recommended to the Superintendent that all the girls' sleeping departments be thoroughly renovated, the contents of the beds and bedding changed, and all the old carpets taken out of the rooms; the recommendations were carried out; didn't see the beds aired, but supposed it was done; the carpets were not removed; they were retained contrary to my order; the epidemic became promptly arrested, which is pretty good evidence that most of the recommendations were carried out; the epidemic of 1870 prevailed about two months; we had no cases to date from that epidemic; there were probably fifteen or twenty cases; make my recommendations to the Superintendent, and he is supposed to call the attention of the Board of Managers to them; have my record at the house, and only take it away to my office to write up cases.

Here the witness was given answer to a question by Mr. Gill read from the rules the duties of the physician in charge, and continuing he said that he visited the Refuge just as he would any other patient.

THE DOCTOR'S OPINION OF THE DIET.

If there was a great deal of sickness and he considered it necessary he visited the house every day. He used his own judgment in regard to this matter. Witness said that he made several recommendations both to the Superintendent and Managers which are not noted in the record. The Manger always received his recommendations cheerfully, and carried them out. In regard to the matter of food, the Doctor said there was a lack of variety in the food which he attributed to an absence of ingenuity in the cook. As, for instance, the potatoes were broiled day after day, and the children were given soup for dinner. Witness said that when all the children were in good health he supposed everything was going on all right; when there was considerable sickness, he sought out a cause for it. The witness did not stop to argue this point, but said that many of the inmates were starved and vitiated by a lack of care and treatment when they came to the institution. If the food was continued for a number of days it would tend to cause a weakness of the constitution. They once had scurvy in the institution. This disease is caused by an absence of succulent diets. Within the last few years there had been no cases of this disease. He thought that it had been abolished or prevented by his prescription of raw onions, and when they cannot be obtained, raw potatoes.

Mr. King asked if a large amount of the sickness was not ascribable to the weak physical condition of the children when they came to the institution.

In answer the witness said that with good care the physical condition of the children should improve in the institution.

Mr. Gill asked if children of vitiated and depraved constitutions should not have better food in order to build them up?

He said in general terms, yes. But he thought the main trouble with the food was a lack of variety in its cooking. There was always a great plenty furnished the inmates. The lack of variety was not attributable to any failure in the Board of Managers. Witness never detected any articles that were unwholesome. Witness could not tell how often they visited the kitchen. If there was any serious sickness he generally sought out the diet the first thing. Witness had examined the coffee when there was no milk in it. He had not seen butter on the children's table very often. He did not think it was the rule to have butter. Butter is not absolutely necessary to the health of the children, but it is better for them to have it. Children should have fat, and as they will not eat fat unless under compulsion, they should have butter.

WHY THE OFFICERS ESCAPED.

Mr. Bigham said here that Mr. Avery understood that the investigation of the charges against him were finished, and that the Committee said they were coming up here to investigate the Board of Managers. He intimated that in the absence of Mr. Avery did in his broken down condition, it would be unfair to proceed with anything which seemed to reflect upon him.

Mr. Thornton said that they were looking into the matter of the food, which it was the duty of the supply committee to furnish.

Witness's attention was called to the use of rye coffee in the Refuge, and said that in April, 1875, he recommended to the Board that its use be discontinued, but did not know how long it had been used. It was pure rye coffee, and had no other kind of coffee mixed with it. Referring to the recent epidemic the witness mentioned as probable causes at some length, his testimony not materially varying from his last report. The officers and deputies were in very good condition. The building has heavy walls, and is badly ventilated and badly heated. The boys' apartments were especially cold. Didn't think it would have been comfortable in the rooms with the amount of covering that was supplied to them. The boys often complained to him that they could not keep warm in bed. Witness had seen water frozen in the room of the children, while sleeping in a cupboard adjoining. When witness made certain recommendations as a means of abating the last epidemic the Board of Managers ordered them to be carried out, but this was never done. The recommendations were made in December, 1874, and no whitewashing was done until about the middle of April, 1875. The Superintendent promised to have them carried out, but did not do it. Witness was appointed one of the committee to carry out his own recommendations, but he had no power to order anything to be done. As a last resort, the witness made an official report on the 14th of April, 1875, calling attention to the condition of the hydrant water, which was not fit for human consumption, and the lack of a variety of food. He also pointed out the fact that the children had been compelled to go, almost in a body, to the table to eat their meals. He recommended more sunlight and play and less work, and considered this as the only means of restoring the children to health.

THE DOCTOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS DISREGARDED.

"Now, gentlemen," said the Doctor somewhat emphatically, "my recommendations have been utterly disregarded. The places that I urged should be whitewashed were never touched with a whitewash brush, and after I had repeatedly urged that the old carpets in the children's rooms be destroyed until it became to be an old story, Mr. Avery told me, in answer to my question, that the old carpets had all been burned. Imagine my surprise, upon going into the rooms, to find the carpets still there."

Mr. Bigham asked the witness if he did not state in one of his recent reports that all had been done that could be done to render the institution as healthful as possible.

Witness replied that he had made such a statement, but he found that it had been made too soon, and that he had been deceived.

Mr. Thornton asked if the witness did not think that the Board of Managers should have known about these things and that they were as much to blame as Mr. Avery.

The witness asked to be excused from answering the question, and said he preferred not to give his opinion. He thought that Mr. Avery had been unduly dealt with.

Mr. Gill asked the witness if any one had sought to influence him, and he answer said that no member of the Board had ever approached him in a dishonorable way. He had a conversation with Mr. Avery in regard to the sewer, and the Superintendent said that he did not think it was necessary to make it so severe. He wanted it drawn a little milder.

Mr. Gill asked if any of the Board ever say that if such a report was made they would not get the appropriation of the Legislature?

Witness—No, sir. The matter was talked about after the report was out. It was said by some of the Board that they were afraid that if the members of the Legislature read the report they would vote against the appropriation.

Mr. Gill called the attention of the witness to that part of the report of the committee to the County Medical Society, in which it was stated that none of the officers were sick. Witness said he accounted for this by the fact that the officers had better apartments, better food and more room. Witness said that he never knew better nursing in his public or private practice than his patients got during this epidemic. The managers thought to thin out the numbers when the endemic came on, and in this they were in a measure successful.

VINDICATING THE BOARD.

At this point Mr. Bigham and some other members of the Board desired to have themselves vindicated from any intimations or suspicion that they had sought to influence the Doctor in making out his report. He assured the anxious members that there was no cerebration of alarm, that no member of the Board had ever sought to influence him in making his report—he would not have allowed it.

Witness then said that some of the sick children were kept out of the infirmary when they should have been sent there, but he did not think it was done intentionally. There were eleven deaths during the last epidemic. The statement of the epidemic was very rapid after a certain time. Witness never remembered to have seen any marks upon the backs of any of the children. Never was called upon to prescribe for any child suffering under personal chastisement except once. Was called to treat a boy who had a black eye, and when upon being asked how he got it, said that he had been struck by one of the officers. Drs. Batten, McCann, H. B. King, and others, visited the House in connect with the witness, and some of them took his place while he was away.

Here the committee went into recess for an hour.

The committee resumed their labors soon after 2 o'clock, and the first witness sworn was Dr. J. A. Dickson, who visited the Refuge as one of a committee of the Allegheny Medical Association. He indorsed the published report of the committee, in all things. He had no personal knowledge of the kind of food given to the inmates. The ventilation of the Reform School he considered bad.

DR. DALY UNDER CROSS FIRE.

Dr. W. H. Daly was recalled, and he denied the statement of Annie Vanderkist regarding her vaccination that he had advised giving her a dose that would put her to sleep for all time. The doctor said that Annie may have had that impression, though he did not believe that from her position when the conversation was said to have occurred she could have possibly heard words spoken in the room where he and the doctor and Superintendent Avery were, and his disposition was to save lives, not to destroy them.

To Mr. A. L. E. Fetterman, who conducted the cross-examination, the witness said that the managers had always adopted his recommendations, and, except at the time of the epidemic, the general health of the Refuge was good. The witness did not know that the instructions that he gave to the Superintendent were communicated to the managers, though his impression was that the Visiting Committee were shown a record of his directions upon every Wednesday. Whenever there was a case demanding immediate attention the witness was always sent for. The doctor believed that the childrens' food was, as a rule, better than they would have received at home. Witness thought that the soup, as a rule, was not boiled long enough, but as he had no intercourse with the cook, he did not order the cook to prolong the boil, though he did instruct the nurse that that article of diet must be cooked better. The doctor never had believed the Board of Managers to be responsible for the cuisine, the commissary department, he thought, was all right.

At the time of

THE BEGINNING OF THE EPIDEMIC,

and at the end of the epidemic, well water was used for drinking purposes. The rain water was used for cooking purposes, and though it was not desirable water, still the boiling would destroy its poisonous properties. For two or three months while the epidemic was raging the river water was used for drinking purposes, and when the doctor, as a sanitary measure, recommended that the water be boiled, the witness met with the reply that it was impossible, and he found a great many impossibilities intervened to prevent the carrying out of his directions. Finally, the doctor said that he believed that the whole water question was of little moment, as he had no doubt that the well water was equally contaminated with the river water.

Replying to Dr. Alexander witness said that a boy might have his shoulder dislocated without having his attention called to it, but he believed that an occurrence of such a kind would be very unlikely to have occurred. The dislocation might have occurred, but the witness never heard of it. The boy could not have used that arm until the bone had formed an artificial socket, though an incomplete dislocation might exist without being detected.

MORE MEDICAL TESTIMONY.

Dr. A. M. Pollock, Chairman of the Allegheny Medical Society, said that the report of the sanitary condition of the Refuge, made by a committee of his Institution, was true in point of fact. Before the occasion of this report he knew nothing about the sanitary condition of the Refuge. The Doctor said that in the published report it was omitted to state that it was reported that the walls of the privy vaults had been frequently tested, and that they were found impermeable to water, and if this be so there could be no leakage, and consequently the well water could not be contaminated by the sewage of the privy vaults. The Doctor here explained some scientific points in the theory sought to be established by the report of the Association.

After Dr. Pollock had concluded his testimony a number of the supply bills of the Board of Managers were submitted and examined by the committee for the purpose of ascertaining the quality and quantity of the supplies furnished the Refuge for the use of the inmates.

ONE OF THE MANAGERS SWORN.

John Phillips, of the Board of Managers, swore that he had been a member of the Board for seventeen years. He was at one time President of the Board. He visited the house frequently during the epidemic—two or three times a week. During that time Dr. Daly did not tell him of the bad sanitary condition of the Refuge during the epidemic. The Superintendent told witness that the Doctor had ordered the dormitories whitewashed, but he did not know that they were all whitewashed, though his impression was that they were. A visiting committee of two members visited the Refuge once a week, and it was their business to see that the house was in order, though there is no doubt that too much was taken for granted. Witness did not know that he had ever made a thorough tour of the house on any specific occasion, though at different times he was about the house in almost every place. The supplies are obtained by the Superintendent, under a requisition, and they should always be examined by the Supply Committee before they are sent into the Refuge, and as a rule they were so examined. In sanitary affairs the Board never interfered with the Doctor, and the witness was not always aware of he condition of the house. The badge, or reward system, under the moral suasion theory, was abolished in accordance with a sentiment of false economy in the Board. The money for the supplies is furnished by the counties of the State. The witness never investigated the tasks assigned to children, and he never knew that the children were overworked.

THE CONTRACT SYSTEM

was in vogue before witness entered the institution, and he knew that it was a great curse to the institution, and it would have been abolished if the Board had had sufficient funds. During his connection with the institution witness never heard but one complaint of tainted meat. The scorched loaves referred to in testimony were partaken of by the witness, and he never tasted sweeter ham in his life. Rye coffee was furnished inmates ever since he could remember. Witness had frequently inspected the corridors and domitories and he at no time saw anything wrong in either.

The wells might have been out of order for several months during the epidemic but the witness was not aware of it.

Replying to Mr. Fetterman witness detailed the system of the organization of the Board and of its committees, with the several duties of the committees ary organizations. Reading from the report of Dr. Daly made while the epidemic was in existence in 1874, it was observed by that paper that the Doctor at time thought that all his sanitary recommendations were carried out, as far as they could be in the crowded state of the house.

Here Doctor Irwin rose to reply in angry tone. He said that he made that report because he took it for granted that his recommendations had been carried out, but that he had been deceived and he now realized his statement made in the morning, that he had been deceived and that his recommendations were never carried out and they were not carried out, by Dr. Daly.

Mr. Bigham rose in a rage, and in a furious voice and with sledge-hammer gestures, said that for fourteen months he had been acting on the principle of the Doctor, and he wanted it understood that the Board had no hand in the deception of the physician.

THOMAS J. BIGHAM'S SHORT STORY.

Thomas J. Bigham was called to the stand, and sworn, when Mr. Thornton said that if he (Bigham) desired to make any report that he would have to go before the Refuge he was at liberty to state it. Witness had never considered that the daily running to the Refuge was his business, as it was the understanding when he entered the Board that the Allegheny members would attend to that. For about thirty months he was not familiar with the running of the institution, and he knew nothing of the sanitary condition of the institution. Regarding the badge-system the impression of witness was that the minutes of the Board would not show that they were. A visiting committee of two members visited the Refuge once a week, and it was by the Board. His impression was that an amendment to the laws of the Board, abolishing the system, was voted down by a large majority. Witness had no reference to the minutes confirmed this impression, and it was shown that that system was still recognized by the laws of the Board.

WHAT ANOTHER MANAGER SAW.

Arthur Hobson was a member of the Visiting Committee at the time of the epidemic. He remembered that Dr. Daly was dissatisfied with the whitewashing, the progress of the work of whitewashing and that he counseled the burning of all the refuse about the building. Sometime after this witness noticed that the beds had not been burned, and he called the attention of Superintendent Avery to the matter, and that officer consulted to have the doctor's directions carried out. Witness visited the corridors, and he had noticed that in a few instances the beds were on the floor. The bedding department was overcrowded. In some parts of the building is decaying, and an unpleasant odor arises from the decaying matter. At the time of the epidemic the rooms and corridors were comfortably warm. Answering Mr. Thornton Dr. Daly said that his record book was a mirror of the daily events in the Infirmary which this witness noticed.

A HOT SHOT FROM DR. DIXON.

Dr. Dixon being recalled, said that his committee were baked in every room, and that they went to investigate the cellar and see the sewer drops, &c., and when the door was opened a volume of steam came out from them, and they could not stand it. Might have been accidental; the witness did not know that it was not. They were turned back twice by bolted doors in the girl's bath-room, and while they did get in they saw several boys scoured from the bath house with handsfull of filth, and when they did get in the tubs bore the same marks. Very heartily of opinion the furthest tub was fetid, and is designated in the report as an unused tub.

In the cellar the primary there was a place on the walls where the paper was mouldy and damp. The cellar, which they most wanted to investigate, they could not get access to. The witness thought that if typhoid epidemic died out for want of material to attack, as it had made inroads upon ninety per cent of the inmates. He accounted for the fact that the officers had not been attacked by the epidemic by the hypothesis that they had free access to pure, unvitiated air, which the inmates were debarred from. The central heating system allows 2,000 cubic feet of air, which is susceptible of perfect change every hour. In the Refuge, during the epidemic, there was an air space of 800 cubic feet, which is not susceptible of receiving a change of pure air at will without opening the outside windows, a dangerous proceeding.

Dr. Daly being again called, said that he did not think there was an effort to bale the committee. The delays, he thought, were caused by efforts to put the house in order a little. The steam in the cellar he could not think was the cause of the sickness. Mr. Avery very readily gave permission to the committee to investigate the building.

Here Mr. Thornton said the investigation upon the sanitary condition of the institution was closed, and to-morrow the Committee would devote itself to an investigation of the outside charges against the official sons of the managers and contractors. The Committee then adjourned until 9 o'clock to-day.

BREVITIES.

····A new floor is being laid in Union Depot.

····Local news will be found on our second page to-day.

····A grand gymnastic exhibition is to be given in aid of the Hamill monument fund, in case the subscriptions are not sufficient.

····A majority of the Opera House company went down to Dixmont yesterday and gave a couple of performances for the benefit of the inmates.

····A driver of a cart, named McKlessock, was badly hurt on Brownsville avenue yesterday by the cart overturning upon him. Dr. Thomas attended to the man.

····A movement is afoot among some of our manufacturers to bring natural gas from the Delaemter and Grant wells, in Butler county, and use it for fuel purposes.

····James Hopkins, the fireman who was so badly injured in the wreck on the Ebensburg Branch Railroad several days ago, died at his home in Hollidaysburg on Tuesday afternoon from the result of his wounds.

····A hearing was had yesterday afternoon in the case of Fred. Riddle, who was charged with stabbing Louis Feisinger, on the 23d inst. before New Year's day. Riddle was held in $1,500 bail to answer the charge at Court.

····Rev. G. A. Moffatt will give a free lecture to-morrow evening, in the East Birmingham Baptist Church, on "The Gulf Between Capital and Labor Bridged Over. The Claims of Capitalists and all Workingmen duly considered; and the Law of Harmony Made Plain."

····Thomas L. Williams, a brakeman on the coal train of Steen & Son, on the Panhandle Railroad, had his right hand caught while coupling cars, yesterday, and four fingers badly crushed. The sufferer was taken to Dr. Scherer's office, where the injuries were dressed.

····Several prominent citizens of the Eleventh ward, Allegheny, deny the report that the question of secession or anti-secession had anything to do with the election for a Select Councilman from that ward. They say that the contest for that office was on altogether different questions.

····On Wednesday night John Good, of Washington county, reposed in a Water street *Maison de joie*, and yesterday morning he complained at police headquarters that he had been robbed of eighty dollars and a watch. Chief Hartzell raided the house and captured the mistress, who is held to answer.

····A meeting of the Executive Committee of the State Teachers' Association was held at Harrisburg a day or two since. A programme for the meeting at West Chester in August was adopted. Arrangements will be made for the accommodation of all teachers who desire to visit the Centennial after the conclusion of the business of the Association.

····Mr. Jacob Miller, the brakeman on the Pan Handle Railroad who was shot near Allance a few days ago, by one of a gang of three-card-monte men, while endeavoring to eject them from the train, is reported to be lying very low, at his home in Conestoga. *Apropos* of this, it is stated that all employes on the road are to be armed and directed to shoot train ruffians on sight.

····For a couple of days past Messrs. Fox and Tindle, of the United States Secret Service, have been in the city on official business. They have been thus employed in examining matters in connection with the Custom House, and, it is said, found them not as satisfactory as is desirable. They returned to Washington last night, and "music by the band" is expected in a few days.

····The agents of the Insurance companies having risks in the Allegheny Poor House, and a committee of the Allegheny Poor Board, visited the City Farm yesterday, to see what should be done to protect the Poor House from fire in case gas should issue from the well now being bored. The agents directed that a brick wall be built up on three sides of the well to a height of five feet above the roof of the boiler house. This action will be reported to the Poor Board on Monday evening.

····A boiler named Buchanan stabbed Louis Feisinger, the well known oarsman, at the Top Mill, Wheeling, Wednesday. Manager Hastings interfered just as Buchanan was about to plunge the knife in Feisinger for the third time, and knocked him (Buchanan) down with an oar paddle. Feisinger's wounds were both near the heart, and he is in a critical condition. Prompt action on the part of the officers is all that prevented Buchanan from being lynched. The attack was entirely unprovoked.

····What might have been a serious accident occurred on the corner of Smithfield street and Sixth avenue yesterday afternoon. A gentleman in a Pleasant Valley street car beckoned to a newsboy to bring him a paper. The boy ran to comply with the request, but was pushed off the steps by the conductor upon the other track just as Assistant Fire Marshal Evans was driving past rather rapidly in his buggy. The boy was struck, knocked down and run over, receiving, however, no other injuries than a severe gash on the lip and a bloody nose. He was taken up to Dr. Gallagher's office, but surgical assistance was not necessary.

DISCUSSING LOCAL FINANCES.

Debate in Select Council Yesterday Afternoon on the Appropriation Ordinance—Remarks of the Members—Unsuccessful Attempts to Amend—The Bill Fails to Pass.

A special meeting of Select Council was held yesterday afternoon to act upon the appropriation ordinance. Mr. David Aiken presided. The members present were Messrs. Ahl, Aiken, Atkinson, Brown, Carr, Dannels, B. Darlington, Duff, Epping, Evans, Felker, George Fox, Gregor Fox, Froehlich, Geiger, Herron, Holliday, Hunter, Kerr, Lappan, Littell, Meyer, Moore, Murray, McCandless, McClurg, McGimpsey, McKinley, Negley, Reiman, Rodgers, Rolfe, Sawyer, Shipton, Sorg, Taylor and Weldon.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read, Mr. SHIPTON, from the Finance Committee, reported the ordinance levying taxes and making appropriations for the current year, as published in yesterday's GAZETTE.

The bill was read by the Clerk, and on motion of Mr. O'NEIL it was decided to take up its items *seriatim*. Mr. WELDON thought that method of proceeding would occupy too much time. He was in favor of hearing any objection that members might harbor against any of the appropriations, make the amendments if it should be deemed best to alter, and then approve the ordinance as a whole.

Mr. SHIPTON said that so far as he knew, the appropriations were generally approved by the members, except perhaps the amounts allotted to the Police Committee and the Board of Health. The gentleman stated that last year the Police Committee expended only about $194,700, and that the balance in their appropriation—$13,000—was turned into the water works. This year they have been given $195,000, which he thought amply sufficient inasmuch as it is as much as they spent last year. As far as the Board of Health is concerned, Mr. Shipton said that $1,060 might be taken from each of one or two other appropriations and added to the Health fund.

THE FIRST OBJECTIONS.

The items of the ordinance were then considered one at a time. A number of members from the South Side voted against the approval of the water works interest tax, but their negative expressions were barely emphatic enough to be heard. Mr. Epping desired to know why it was necessary to increase the schedule of water rents for the purpose of the assessment of 1875. Mr. Shipton replied that the law requires the payment of the interest on the first two million of water bonds issued, from the proceeds of water tax, and that in order to meet the interest it was necessary to increase the rents. The explanation evidently was satisfactory because the advance was approved.

When the appropriation of $130,000 to the Fire Department was reached, Mr. SAWYER moved that it be reduced to $75,000. The motion failed to elicit a second. Mr. Duff then moved that it be cut down to $115,000, a sum in his opinion amply sufficient to meet all the requirements of the department. He was upheld by Mr. Carr. Mr. Littell, however, said he did not accept very graciously the suggestion to reduce. He thought it somewhat inconsistent for members, when candidates for re-election, to vote against a reduction of salaries, and then go home to their constituents as contracts to come into Council, vote against and try to cut down the very appropriations which are to be used in the payment of those salaries. Figuratively speaking, Mr. Littell sneered at the financial vagaries of the gentlemen who would endeavor to cripple the running of the Municipal government by failing to supply the requisite amount of money, and yet who, when candidates for re-election, would endeavor to enhance their own chances by voting against a reduction of pay. Mr. CARR replied that the adoption of the appropriation bill by the city was equivalent to making contracts. Mr. Shipton called for the figures of the Board of Estimate, by which the sum to be asked of the Fire Committee for the Fire Commission was fixed. The City Controller submitted the written estimate, specifying each particular object for which it was thought necessary to make provision. It amounted to $129,500, which over $130,000 was for salaries alone. It at once became so apparent that the pruning of the Finance Committee had been close as well as judicious, that Mr. Duff's motion was not vigorously pressed. When put to a vote it was lost, 14 members voting *aye* and 21 *nay*. The appropriation was then approved.

THE REPAVING FUND.

The Police and Water Works were passed without encountering any obstacles, which was somewhat contrary to expectation as far as the former is concerned. When the appropriation for Streets had been reached Mr. HOLLIDAY moved that from the $150,000 awarded to that department, $10,000 be deducted and added to the $30,000 set aside for the replacing of the wooden pavements on the streets in the lower part of the city. He said that every member of Council was perfectly well aware that the $30,000 would prove wholly inadequate for the purpose to which it is to be applied, and that therefore no necessity existed for making the amount so small. The estimate of the City Engineer, who was directed to make the estimate, was that the probable cost of repaving the streets was that it would require $65,000. Mr. Holliday said that he was not interested in the introduction of the Street appropriation to $90,000, and an increase of the Repaving Fund to $40,000, but Council was hard and obdurate, and proved wholly impregnable to the logical pleas of Messrs. Armstrong and Bloor, of the first squad, and C. B. Lovett and T. B. Lovett, of the fourth squad, killed nine pigeons each. They decided to shoot at three additional birds each in order to determine who was entitled to the second prize, $90. Armstrong killed his three birds, as also did the others two. That left Armstrong out altogether, and Bloor and the two Lovetts divided the money, each taking $33.

The third prize,—$66—was open to all who did not kill less than eight birds, viz, Messrs. Wilson, Sheldon, Marshall, Snellenberg and Straub. They were each furnished with three birds. Wilson killed his third, Crossthwaite his first and Marshall his entire three. Snellenberg shot at two, missed them and killed the crow. Straub hit his first, failed to strike the second and then followed Snellenberg's example. Marshall got the prize.

Clark, Spencer, Springer and Born having killed seven birds each, shot off for the third prize—$33. To three gentlemen first named killed two birds each and Born three. There is this to note, however, that of the four marksmen Springer was the only one who had pulled for him two traps in which there were no pigeons. For the others there was a bird in every trap. Whether the manner in which Springer was treated was intentional or only the result of negligence it was not right. He stood a fair show to tie Born, who got the prize, but it is fair to presume that the springing of two traps without any birds making their exit was calculated to disconcert him to a certain extent. At any rate he killed all his birds, the one marked against him falling but a short distance outside the line. It is hardly possible though that the failure to give Springer his two first birds can be charged against the management.

BOGARDUS' FEAT.

At three o'clock Captain Bogardus undertook the feat of killing twenty-five birds in four minutes. One man sat on a box containing the pigeons, took them out one at a time and passed up as he could and handed them to a man at his side, who, in turn, threw the two of them into the air at once, Bogardus shooting and loading continually. Thirty-three pigeons were thrown into the air, of which he killed twenty-six in three minutes and twelve seconds, leaving him forty-eight seconds to spare.

Thus ended the second and last day of the shooting tournament.

ALLEGHENY COMMON COUNCIL.

Special Meeting Last Night—The Appropriation Ordinance Adopted—Other Business.

A special meeting of the Allegheny Common Council was held last evening for the purpose of taking action on the ordinance levying taxes and making appropriations for the year, which was passed at the last meeting of Select Council.

The following members were present: Messrs. Alsdorf, Armstrong, Bedell, Cooke, Hunter, Hughes, Kredel, Landis, Mueller, Moul, McGuire, Neely, Parkhill, Sholes, Stone, Schmitt, Snaman, Seiling, Walkers, Wall and President Golden.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The rules were suspended to take up new business.

Mr. BEDELL presented a petition for paving of the First ward Diamond square. Referred.

Also a remonstrance against the construction of a sewer on Western avenue between Grant avenue and Bidwell street. Referred.

Mr. HUNTER offered a resolution directing the Street Committee to withhold action on Monterey street sewer until the property holders can be heard. Passed.

Mr. KREDEL presented a remonstrance against the construction of a sewer on Lowrie street and Branch street. Referred.

Mr. WALKER, a petition from P. T. Bohler, for permission to erect a frame stable on Ohio street, Eighth ward. Referred.

Mr. SNAMAN, a petition for extension of the main sewer in Pleasant Valley. Referred.

The following ordinances, passed in Select Council at the last meeting, were then taken up.

Ordinance levying rates and making the appropriations to meet the expenses of the various departments of the city during the year. Passed.

Ordinance requiring the payment into the City Treasury of all fees paid prosecutors in cases of illegal liquor selling, when paid to city officers. Passed.

Resolution authorizing the Treasurer to make a temporary loan of $50,000 to meet the current expenses of the city. Passed.

Adjourned.

PERSONAL.

***Dr. J. B. Vowell, a well known resident of Washington, Pa., died suddenly yesterday morning at his residence in that place.

***The many friends of Mr. Dongal Munn will regret to learn that he is very ill, and fears